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Proceedings

of the

Fourteenth Annual Convention.

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, was called to order by the Department President, Fannie D. Hardin, in the Masonic Temple, Cripple Creek, at 3:30 p. m. June 14th, 1898.

The organization was completed by seating the delegations, when the convention adjourned to meet Wednesday morning, June 15th, 9 a. m.

Wednesday Morning, June 15th, 1898.

The convention was called to order promptly at 9 o'clock. In the absence of Adelia C. Macauley, Department Chaplain, Mrs. Delia F. Buell of E. M. Stanton Corps No. 37, of Salida, led in prayer.

Moved by Mary L. Carr of Longmont, seconded by Mrs. Stella Newman of Denver, "That if there were no objections the session would remain open until after the reading of the President's Report." Carried.

Mrs. Sarah J. Martin, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, was introduced to the convention and remained its guest throughout the entire session.

Mrs. Mary L. Carr, in a timely speech, presented Mrs. Hardin with a gavel, a gift from John E. Miller of Denver. Mrs. Hardin responded in her usual cordial manner.

Mrs. Alice M. Seeds, Department Senior Vice President, delivered a beautiful address of welcome as follows :

Mrs. President and members of the Fourteenth Annual Convention :

To me has been accorded the very pleasant duty of extending to you, the representatives of one of the grandest and noblest organizations in existence, a cordial welcome to our city and homes. We fully appreciate the honor of having the Grand Army and its auxiliary societies as our guests. As the time drew near for the annual meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps, it was with a feeling of pride that J. W. Anderson Corps, whose duty it is to act the part of hostess, looked forward to the event with much pleasure.

Now in extending to you a cordial greeting, which I do most heartily, in memory of all welcome addresses that have gone before I should add: "I welcome you to our beautiful city," but, alas for the eternal fitness of things, notwithstanding the artistic decorations of bunting, flags and gay streamers and all that head and hand of man may devise and execute, nature, the dear old mother of us all must turn towards us her cheerful face, her benign smile, extend her friendly hand and gentle touch, the never failing love of her maternal heart that finds outward expression in the verdure of green hills and lawns, the budding foliage of bending boughs and blooming flower gardens ere we can call our city or its surroundings beautiful. We need not apologize for these deficiencies, as nature has not endowed mother earth with these gifts dear to our hearts, at this elevation in which we exceed every other city of like size. So you, my sisters, who come from the beautiful flower gardens of the plains, we will content ourselves by welcoming you to the most wonderful city and "Greatest Gold Camp" known in his-
tory. Wonderful on account of its unparalleled growth and improvements in the brief period of its existence. Knowing that you are fully aware that but two short years have elapsed since the entire business and greater portion of the residence part of our city was devastated by the ruthless hand of the fire demon, we feel proud to-day to have the privilege of entertaining you that you may have the opportunity of seeing for yourselves the energy, pluck and business ability of our citizens, in raising Phoenix like from the ashes, this city of modern improvements and pleasant homes. The resources and wealth that sustain this business activity is contained in these uncomely hills. When you take this into consideration and survey the district from our railways, especially the electric, it cannot help but excite a sense of admiration and wonder in behalf of the citizens of the "Greatest Gold District on Earth."

As I look into the faces of this assembly of intelligent women, gathered here for the purpose of legislating in behalf of this Department of the Woman's Relief Corps, who have the honor of being auxiliary to one of the noblest organizations of men, it recalls to my mind the words of old Galileo, "The world moves." Less than a score of years ago, almost within the memory of every one present, the average woman had jeopardized her reputation and the good opinions of her neighbors, had she with satchel in hand gone from the extreme end of a great state, sat in convention three or four days transacting its business and returned quietly to family duties, broadened and benefitted by the interchange of thought.

To-day many women's societies prevail throughout these great United States in the interests of literature, morals, philanthropy, reform, patriotism and I might add, politics, but undoubtedly the latter might be classed under the head of reform. These various organizations are banded together as one great sisterhood. Colorado stands among the first in her quota of representative women interested in the aforesaid societies. And as you represent one of the great foundation principles, loyalty and patriotism upon which depends the future safety of our government, it is with some pride that we have had exemplified to us very recently the loyal and patriotic spirit that imbues the minds of our young men in volunteering their services so unselfishly in their country's defense. May they return to us

unharméd and victorious, bearing the banner of our loved America for which their fathers fought and died to save, unsullied.

Again I extend to you a generous and sincere welcome to our city, our homes, our hearts and our firesides. May you legislate wisely and every act be tempered with the sweet spirit of charity. May you leave us refreshed and strengthened to put forth more earnest efforts for the welfare of the order which we represent, for all the vital reforms whose broad fields are white for the harvest, waiting for the reaping of woman's hands.

ALICE M. SEEDS.

Department Senior Vice President.

Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson, of R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18 Fort Morgan Colo., responded on behalf of the convention as follows:

Mrs. President, Ladies of the Convention:

"What art can a woman be good at

Oh vain.

What art is she good at, but hurting her breast with the milk teeth of babes,

And a smile at the pain?

What art for a woman?

To hold on her knees all the darlings; to feel all their arms round her throat

To teach them to speak plain the word "Country."

To teach them no doubt, a "Country's a thing men should die for at need."

To prate about liberty, rights and about the tyrant turned out

And when their eyes flash, exult, nay, let them go forth at the wheels of the gun

And deny not."

Spartan mothers reared their children to rough usage, as good soldiers, making them hardy in body and blunt to the natural feelings of sympathy that they through their roughness might strike strong blows for Sparta and for liberty; while they gave of their own jetty locks to make strings for their bows and cords for their shipping.

Roman matrons, by teaching the sovereignty of Rome and inculcating a pride of citizenship, made their sons well nigh invulnerable to the darts of their foes. England's sons, followed by the prayers and sympathies of their women, went into the Crusades against the Turk, while the color floating from their spear head told of favor to be won or lost by success in battle.

Women of later generations have urged mankind to deeds of prowess and heroism by encouragement and support. Women of America, God's Land of Freedom, have not been behind their sisters of other nations in loyalty, patriotism and devotion to principle. Into the pest house of disease and death, on the battle field, comforting the dying, encouraging, upholding, counseling, ministering to the every necessity of the American soldier, the American woman has truly enlisted in the service of her Country: and there is not an officer commanding the rank and file, or any private who carries his knapsack on the long, dreary, toilsome march, who is more devoted to his Country and the cause of freedom than she.

In time of disaster and danger, when hope has fled and defeat seemed imminent, she bravely toiled, struggled and endured, until victory brought the peace she coveted. The women of the West join hands with the women of the East in the conflict for freedom now being waged. The cries of the downtrodden and distressed ones have reached hearts open to their cry, and mothers, wives, sisters are ready to give of their best for the cause of freedom. Bravely has she again taken up the cause of humanity, and

with her soul on fire with patriotism is ready to say with Queen Archidamia of old Sparta :

"We are brave men's mothers and brave men's wives,
We are ready to do and to dare,
We are ready to man your walls with our lives,
And to string your bows with our hair."

Gathered in your beautiful city, among the rock-bound "eternal hills," tasting of your unstinting hospitality, grasping hands with you interested in this cause of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, under the folds of "Old Glory," emblem of freedom and unity, touching shoulder to shoulder with you who have known the suspense of battle, with you who are just learning it, gaining an inspiration for greater devotion to our Country and its free institutions, more loyalty to her heroes, more charity for her leaders.

We thank you for your invitation to visit you, your welcome since coming, your thoughtfulness for our comfort. May your city thrive; may her far-reaching reputation never be sullied by a traitor within her borders; may her sons be as gold tried in her furnaces, her daughters heroines, pure as the silver from her smelters. May these rocks and hills never reverberate to the crash of battle, or her peace be disturbed by a night attack of foes within her gates. May the earth yield of her riches, stores to the stroke of her hammers, and may her fame go down to posterity as the Utopia of modern times.

Ladies of Jas. W. Anderson Corps No. 23, citizens of Cripple Creek, we thank you for your kind reception.

The President called the Senior Vice President to the Chair, and proceeded to read her address :

President's Report.

Denver, Colo., June 13, 1898.

To the Officers and Members of the Fourteenth Department Convention, W. R. C.:

Thirteen months ago in that beautiful little city, Colorado Springs, nestled so closely to the foot of that grand old mountain, Pike's Peak, we met to learn what had been done in the year just ending, and to legislate for the future development of our Order.

At that meeting you, the representatives and delegates gathered there, elected me to the responsible position of Department President. Realizing after ten years of experience the breadth of character and mind that would be required to conduct the business of our Order through the year, do you wonder that I was half dazed to find that upon *me* was to rest this responsibility? To bear the burdens and perform the duties of the office entrusted to me in a conscientious manner has ever been my desire.

The generous confidence shown by you in my executive ability in electing me to an office which the noblest woman might be proud to fill, has spurred me on in hours of weariness to work for the grand Order I have the honor to represent, ever trying to keep in mind the noble principles we are striving to perpetuate.

I have given the work the very best of my thought, and work of

my hand; hard work and long hours have not been considered, but I have endeavored to keep my eye on a bright spot in the future, a time when I should stand before you to render an account of my stewardship and deliver up the sacred trust, with what result remains for you to say.

We are come to our Fourteenth Department Convention, to our annual feast, come to verify the work of the year and legislate for the good of our Order. And when our work is finished here and we return to our homes, let us remember the work there is before us and *do it* with a will.

YEAR'S WORK.

I wish that space and time were mine to give a detailed account of the year's work. My entire time has been given to the work of the Order. I have written letters until my fingers almost refused to hold the pen. It has been a religious duty with me to answer promptly all letters received, and if possible the day they reached me. I tried to keep count, but the task was too arduous.

As I grasp your hands and look into your faces I realize that you are a band of earnest women. Women capable of any self sacrifice.

We have had a harmonious year, and I believe a fairly successful one. As the years go by I shall deem it a privilege to work for our Order, and hope that I may be spared a number of years and that the Lord will give me strength to do what my hands find to do.

GRAND ARMY.

The members of this grand organization are fast passing away. At a joint meeting of a Post and Corps last winter, Department Commander U. S. Hollister pictured to us the scene when the last G. A. R. Post would assemble in their Post room, as well as when the last Comrade of the Order would come to the Post Hall, and wondered how it would seem and who would receive him. In answer to these remarks I, your Department President, pledged to him that when that time came, as well as now, that their Auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, would be there to welcome them. Was I right; will you be there? I answer yes, for you.

SOLDIER'S HOME.

While on my inspection trip I visited the Colorado Soldiers' Home, at Monte Vista, Colorado. Commander French, Dr. Packard of the Home and Mrs. Belle Packard, President of Joe Hooker Corps, met me at the depot. Colonel French took me to the Home, where I was entertained during my stay, where every courtesy was accorded me by the Commander and wife, as also by the Comrades who reside at the Home, then 129.

I found them comfortably housed and clothed. When I asked the Commander what he wanted the Relief Corps to do for the Home, the reply was: "We want something to read." I found upon investigation that all of the daily papers of Denver reached the Home regularly except the News, and when I returned home I succeeded in having their name placed on the free mailing list, and I am informed that the News is now a daily visitor at the Home.

In my Thanksgiving order I asked the Corps for money to purchase literature for the Soldiers' Home, to which request there was a generous response.

Failing to find anyone to serve on this committee at Monte Vista, Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, kindly consented to take charge of this work. She spent much time and thought and did the work admirably, as a letter from Commander French will show. He says that the collection is the finest they have yet received.

Mrs. Nettie Mann, widow of Major J. C. Mann, gave to me two illustrated volumes of "The Soldier in the Civil war," to be presented to the Colorado Soldiers' Home as a memorial to her husband's memory. The commander, in acknowledging the same, says that "they are the choicest volumes they have, and that it will be his especial pride and duty to look after them."

The soldiers living there are still dissatisfied with the location of the Home, both for the climate and the isolation, and we trust that at the next General Assembly something definite will be done to move this home to a more desirable location. A location where the people will welcome the soldiers' dependant ones among them, and that cottages may be erected for their use.

I expressed a desire to take my meals while there at the dining room where the men ate theirs, and was allowed to do so, much to my satisfaction.

It was my pleasure to visit the Wyoming Soldiers' Home in company with Miss Sadie Fisher of Cheyenne and Clara Rapp of Denver. The Commander and wife both received us in a very cordial manner. We found about thirty Comrades there. The Home is a small one, but neat and comfortable and well kept, the old Comrades expressing themselves as being quite happy there. The Corps in Wyoming look after the interest of the Veterans in this Home in a very laudable manner.

MEMORIAL DAY.

There have been two Memorial Days under this Administration. The six Corps in Denver have each day been called out to attend Sunday services in a body, and a large representation of us filed into the church behind our Department Banner, carried one day by a colored Grand Army man and the other by a Comrade of one of the Denver Posts.

The reports from over the Department show that great interest has been felt everywhere. We are happy to state that good work has been accomplished by the united efforts of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. in their attempt to do away with entertainments, etc., on Memorial Day that would tend to desecrate the day and interfere with the sacred work for which Memorial Day was originated. Let the good work go on.

We did rejoice on this our last Memorial Day to see the hands and we believe the hearts of the Comrades of the North and South united. It has been a long time coming, and I am glad that I lived to see it.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Department Charter has been draped three times this year. First, for our National Senior Vice President, Marie Hazenwinkle, second, for that grand, good woman, E. Florence Barker, our first National President, and lastly, for our own Mary E. Stimson, first National Junior Vice President. The two latter were elected in Denver, the Queen City of the Plains, in July, 1883, when our National organization was perfected.

We have lost by death this year eighteen members of our Order, a report of which will be given by our worthy Chaplain.

RITUAL.

We believe that the beautiful, new floor work will add much to the interest of our Order. We have long felt the need of a change in our initiatory service, and this seems to fill the requirements. There is something very inspiring in being escorted into our Corps rooms under the folds of our beautiful flags, and we trust that every Corps will strive to make themselves very proficient in this work.

SONS OF VETERANS AND THEIR AUXILIARY, THE LADIES AID SOCIETY.

Our relations with both these organizations have been very pleasant. They have always accorded me a hearty welcome among them and shown by their kindness to your leader that they are friends of the Woman's Relief Corps. Let us then, my sisters, do all we can to encourage these young people, help them to familiarize themselves with this grand good work, that they may in their turn do what it is now our privilege to do.

NEW CORPS AND GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP.

Five new Corps have been organized and there is a good gain in membership, though not what we had hoped to have. We believe that the prospect for our Order is brighter than for several years, and I confidently expect that this coming year will bring many new members into our ranks. I have noticed in several Corps which I have visited that dropped members were asking to be reinstated. Let us each try the coming year to bring in at least one. If we all do that, next year we could report three thousand instead of about sixteen hundred.

Elizabeth De Arey Kinney, National Organizer for the W. R. C., wrote us a very nice letter offering her services if needed. As we were getting along so nicely, we replied, thanking her for the offer, but thought we could manage very well by ourselves.

DISBANDED CORPS.

Steadman No. 28, Telluride, Colorado.

Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke, Colorado.

Phil Sheridan No. 41, Buena Vista, Colorado.

Battle Mountain No. 29, Red Cliff, Colorado.

After assuming the duties of the office, I opened a correspondence with Steadman No. 28 and Holyoke No. 44, both of which replied that they had disbanded in March, Steadman sending in supplies and upon my advice paying their per capita tax to end of second quarter, and received transfer cards for members in good standing.

I have labored with the members of Holyoke Corps and Post, as the correspondence will show. Could not get the supplies, as they always replied that they were going to reorganize, but as yet have heard nothing favorable from them.

ANDERSONVILLE PRISON FUND.

Our Department has contributed of its means to the support of this laudable object and has done so cheerfully, we know.

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE SOUTH.

Our Treasurer's report will show that we have done our duty in this direction. We deem it a pleasure and privilege to contribute to this fund.

ANNIE WITTENMYER FUND.

When the Circular Letter came out, asking us to give to this worthy cause, I met a Comrade of the Grand Army and he said: "I see your Order is asked to give something to the Wittenmyer fund. I hope this Department will give liberally, for she is a deserving woman. She took care of me as well as many other Comrades when we were sick and wounded in the army."

EMERGENCY FUND.

In response to National Circular Letter No. 1, sent out May 9, 1898, asking the Corps to create an emergency fund, the following Corps have responded: First, R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan; then George G. Meade No. 6, Denver; Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou; Ellisworth No. 28, Central City; Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming.

To the call for abdominal protectors for the Colorado soldiers, Meade No. 6, Grand Junction No. 17, Colorado Springs No. 4, and Faragut No. 1 have responded.

PENSION CASES.

Several pension cases are under way, but for the want of time this branch of the work has not been pushed with as much earnestness as we would like. Several new ones have been taken up this year and some remain over from last year. When the Convention is over and I get settled down a little, I will take up this work, and I hope may be as successful in the future as I have been in the past. Thirty-one thousand nine hundred and sixty pensioners have died the past year.

PATRIOTIC TEACHING.

Much has been accomplished along this line, but much remains to be done. In these stirring times, when patriotism is running so high is a good time for our committees to push this work, so do not be weary in well doing, but strive to reach a higher mark.

Sarah W. Pease, Department Patriotic Instructor, has done good work, but this work very largely rests with the Patriotic committees of each Corps, and we hope to have each Corps reported in her consolidated.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

I went to Buffalo on the G. A. R. official train. We had a pleasant party and enjoyed the trip very much. We made a six-hour stop at Chicago, and through the courtesy of Department Commander Hollister and wife, Laura S. Dodge and myself were taken to the Great

Northern Hotel. We rested, wrote letters and dined there, so that when the time arrived to start on our journey to Buffalo we felt quite refreshed.

We arrived in Buffalo at 10:30 Monday morning, and our Convention opened Thursday, closing Saturday night. Our convention was harmonious and profitable, and the week was so full of receptions and business that we hardly had time to eat. We received many good words from the Grand Army Comrades who visited our Convention, and many compliments on the work we were doing. Buffalo is indeed a beautiful city, and the citizens' committee left nothing undone that could be done to give us pleasure. I visited the Soldiers' Cemetery at Buffalo, where a beautiful monument has been erected by the state to the memory of the heroes who fell in the Civil War.

I went to New York City and visited the tomb of General U. S. Grant, a grand structure, worthy of the memory of that grand General whose remains were laid away with such pomp and ceremony by the people of this Nation he fought to save. I also visited Washington's old home in New York City, built on the banks of the Hudson river in the year 1758. I visited the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, at Chelsea, a suburban town to Boston, climbing up 266 steps to reach the spot. The Home is perfect in all its details. A little town within itself, 347 soldiers were there at the time of my visit. From the upper porches you have a grand view of Boston and the harbor.

The Woman's Relief Corps of Massachusetts contributed largely to the furnishing of this Home, and on every turn the evidence of a woman's hand is apparent, so much bric-a-brac and so many pictures of the leaders of our Order in that state. Silk flags are used for pillow shams.

I visited the old cemeteries, where a good many of our Revolutionary soldiers, who fell in that struggle, are buried. I also visited Bunker Hill Monument. Truly one feels inspired standing on such historic ground.

On my return trip I visited the new monument erected to the memory of that typical soldier, John A. Logan, in Harmon Court, on the shore of Lake Michigan, Chicago.

COMMITTEES.

The various committees which have been appointed have, with but one exception, performed the work specified, and I believe are here ready to report the progress made by them in the different branches of the work.

LOYAL WOMEN.

You all know that I am an ardent advocate of the "loyal woman" clause. There are plenty of good women among us to-day, who do not understand that they are eligible to membership in our Order; who think to be a member they must be a relative of a soldier. Ask them to join us. Explain to them our eligibility clause; they can only refuse, and you have done your duty. Throw your doors open wide to them, and if they are fitted to fill any of the responsible positions, give them a chance with the soldier's relative. We need them, we need them to

fluence and the money they bring us, as well as their association and their help. They probably love "our flag" as well as do our soldiers, wives, and they should be encouraged.

RELIEF WORK.

Persis Arnold of Veteran Corps, Denver, Chairman of Department Relief Committee, has been an indefatigable worker and we are sure will receive the thanks of this Convention for the very efficient manner in which she has conducted this work-of-all-works-to-us. My intention was to give an entertainment of some kind to swell the Department Relief fund, but the year has been too short to accomplish all that I intended to do. Mrs. Arnold has done well with the small amount of money at her command.

INSPECTION.

After talking with Sarah J. Martin, National President, in regard to the inspection in our Department being done by blank, to save the expense to the Department, and as our Treasury was so low I went to see what could be done with the railroad companies in regard to transportation, and finding that through my own personal influence and that of some friends that a half-fare rate was the best I could do for the Inspector and the Assistant Inspectors, and being assured that transportation would be given me, I considered it a duty I owed the Order to do all of the inspecting I could. Therefore, some changes were made, much to the regret of both the Inspector and myself, but having the financial interest of our Order in view, the changes were made, and to me fell the pleasure and burden of inspecting twenty-one Corps, only one near Denver. I went to the extreme southeastern part of the state, to Springfield, fifty-four miles by stage (did I say stage? Well, the stage consisted of a buggy drawn by one little poor mule, to the half-way house (which proved to be a tent), where we ate our dinner and changed our mule for a broncho and started. The broncho at first moved off slowly, but in a few minutes stopped and would not go unless the driver walked and led him. After coaxing him along for about two miles, consuming one hour of precious time, the driver concluded to turn his head towards home, which we did and got another broncho. That one did very well until he got tired, and could only go in a slow walk, but we finally reached our destination about nine o'clock p. m., feeling that we were lucky after all. I was met by a sweet little lady and taken to her home, where I was entertained. The next day we had a very good meeting, I being the first Department officer that had ever been to see them. We came back somewhat as we went, getting into Lamar about eight o'clock at night, I with a feeling of relief that I was alive and glad to be back to the railroad. When I was in the act of alighting from the buggy the horse jumped, knocking me down, the buggy passing over me, leaving me with a very bruised body and a broken rib. I am glad though that I went to Springfield to visit Mulligan Corps No. 22. They are a wide-awake Corps.

I went to Silver Cliff, another stage ride of twenty-eight miles. There we had a good four horse team, and I really enjoyed that ride, as it reminded me of the pioneer days in Colorado.

I inspected the Corps in Wyoming and found in that far-away town of Rawlins a comparatively new Corps, but a good one.

I went South to Durango, Creede and Gunnison, west to Leadville, with the intervening points visited as I came to them.

I was cordially greeted and royally entertained by them all. Many places an open meeting was held between Post and Corps with the Sons and Daughters and other patriotic citizens invited, and in many instances a banquet was spread fit for a queen, but as quite a report of this trip was sent the Inspector and will be in her report I must desist. I feel very grateful to every Corps I visited for the manner in which I was received.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

The few dark clouds that have arisen have been so far outshone by their silver lining as to place them in obscurity.

Indeed and in truth my pathway has been so strewn with pleasant things and encouraging words that these alone would recompense for all the hard work connected with the office.

Not the least of these pleasures have been my visits to the Corps, either as an Inspector or on official visits.

It has been my great privilege, as well as pleasure, to visit *every* Corps in the Department once, and some of them many times.

I have attended many joint open meetings in the Department with the Department Commander, U. S. Hollister, and members of his staff, as well as of my own.

Our trip around the Horn, taking in six Corps meetings and five joint open meetings, is a memorable one. At Boulder, Longmont, Loveland, Fort Collins and Greeley open meetings were held between members of Post and Corps with Sons and Daughters of Veterans and other patriotic citizens present, with an afternoon business meeting at Evans. Great enthusiasm prevailed at all of these meetings. Speeches and music made up the programme of the evening, with a fine banquet served by the members of the Corps.

In Denver, the home of the Department Commander G. A. R. and myself, many open meetings have been held by the different Posts and their auxiliaries, at which we, with members of our staff, have attended. A fine programme was rendered at each and refreshments served.

We also attended an open meeting at Fort Morgan, where, despite the rain, a good, enthusiastic meeting was held.

The Corps and Post at Arvada gave an entertainment to which we were invited, and was accompanied by about thirty-five old soldiers and members of the different Relief Corps of Denver.

It was my pleasure to visit the new Corps at Central City, where I was royally entertained.

An official visit was made to Littleton, at which place many members of my staff and about forty Corps members from Denver were present. The Comrades of J. C. Fremont Post were invited in for "Good of the Order" and for refreshments which followed. Many stirring patriotic speeches were made, after which we were all invited to help raise a flag.

T. H. Dodd No. 5, at Golden, was visited in company with six of my staff officers, and a good meeting was had.

My last trip before coming here was to visit the Corps on the Colorado western slope, with Colorado Springs on my way out and Florence on my return, where a reception was held at the beautiful new home of Mr. and Mrs. Brainard, members of the Post and Corps, respectively. Many members of the Post were there. Some very telling speeches were made, after which a bountiful supper was spread. Post and Corps gave me many words of encouragement and cheer.

Hotchkiss was reached by a stage ride of twenty-five miles in the rain. Few were at the meeting on account of the severe storm, but those who were there gave me a cordial welcome and said my visit would be an inspiration to them.

At Grand Junction, that far-away town, I was met by a large delegation of the Corps members and given a hearty welcome. I was their guest from Friday evening until Monday morning, and every moment was filled with something pleasant. Two meetings were held, one jointly with the Post, where the Sons of Veterans and other patriotic citizens were invited. Stirring speeches were made and refreshments served. On Sunday church was attended and in the afternoon a visit was made to the Indian School. It is not the custom of the school to admit visitors on Sunday, but by special request of Ella B. Ackerman, Department Junior Vice President, this courtesy was accorded her for me. The genial superintendent, Mr. Lemon, was very nice to us and the school is a marvel of neatness.

New Castle and Aspen were next visited, with a stop at Glenwood Springs to see about reorganizing the Corps at that place. At Aspen I was met by several members of the Corps and taken to the home of Olive C. Bacon, Past Department Chaplain. Two meetings were held, one in the evening, when the G. A. R. Posts and members of the Circle were invited. A goodly number was present and the meeting a good one. Refreshments were served and I felt that my visit was duly appreciated.

I believe that these visits will result in much good for both Orders. Commander Hollister has visited most of the Posts and wherever I go the members are praising him for the effort he has made to visit them. As for myself I feel that the strong tie that binds us together has been more closely cemented by a better acquaintance with each other, and to-day I feel that I am in very close touch with every Corps in the Department, and there comes over me a feeling of loneliness, bordering on sadness, when I think of these ties being in any degree severed, but hope that the friendships thus formed may be as lasting as they are pleasant.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

No. 1.—That we petition the next General Assembly to so amend the law relating to the appointment of the Soldiers' Home Board that at least one member may be a woman, the wife, widow or daughter of a soldier, and a member of the W. R. C.

No. 2.—That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief

Corps of this Department the paper called "The National Standard," published in Denver by a Grand Army man.

No. 3—That the in-coming President, as soon as expedient, request the appointment of an emergency committee in every Corps in the Department, said committee to work in conjunction with citizens' committee for the relief of soldiers who may pass through their town to the war.

No. 4—That unless transportation can be secured, the inspection be done by blank this year, to give our treasury a chance to replenish.

FINANCE.

The Department Treasurer will give you an itemized account of our financial standing. We have all tried to save the money and make one dollar do the work of two. We wanted to come here with a good bank account, but as the Secretary and Treasurer's salary was each raised \$25 this year (and justly so, too, for they have both earned all they got), we found it hard to accumulate much, as the income is not much more than the legitimate running expenses of the Department. You will see by the Treasurer's report that our traveling and inspection expenses have been light. I have traveled about 8,830 miles by rail for the Department and have paid for this \$8.80.

I have done some traveling for the Corps where half fare was paid by them, and have taken three stage rides that were paid for.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Where shall I begin and where end? Everybody has been so kind to me.

First I desire to thank Department Commander U. S. Hollister for the many courtesies extended to me and to the Woman's Relief Corps. He has ever had our welfare at heart. Through his kindness we were furnished headquarters at Buffalo free, and the kindness shown me by both himself and Mrs. Hollister will ever be appreciated. Through their efforts, as well as that of Laura S. Dodge and other members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C., many pleasant recollections are vividly before me of the trip to Buffalo.

To Attorney General Byron L. Carr my thanks are also due for courtesies extended, as well as to the G. A. R. Department Inspector, A. M. Slack, of Cheyenne.

To the railroad companies, who have been more than generous to me, thereby making it possible for me to visit *every* Corps in this Department, my sincere thanks are extended.

I wish also to thank the press of the city, and indeed of the state, for their efforts in behalf of our Order.

I feel that I would be neglecting my duty were I not to mention the kindness shown me by the Board of Directors of the Festival of Mountain and Plain in helping to arrange our W. R. C. Float, as well as for the complimentary season tickets to the grand stand for members of my staff and visiting members of our Order in the city from over the state during the Festival last fall.

I wish to thank the committees for the work done by them, also the aides on my staff—some have done splendid work; as well as to thank

the entire membership throughout the Department for their uniform kindness to me and their good cheer whenever I met them, as well as for their interest in our work.

My thanks are due and are hereby given to Alice M. Seeds, Department Senior Vice President and Special Aide, for her assistance in preparing for this Convention. Through her efficient work I have been relieved of much of the responsibility pertaining to this meeting.

To Dorcas Hassen, Sarah M. Shields and Anna E. Babbitt my thanks are extended for efficient work done in the organization of Corps Nos. 31 and 35.

To my Staff my thanks are due for your hearty support and encouraging words spoken to me at all times. I assure you that the pleasant times we have had together will always be remembered.

And now last, but not not least, I wish to thank the two members of my official family that I have come in such close touch with, my Secretary and Treasurer, both of whom have ever been ready to assist me. To the Treasurer the Secretary and myself have turned as a bulwark of strength. We have indeed been a happy family. The work done by the Treasurer on the Literature Committee for the Soldiers' Home was both arduous and well done, and I hereby extend to you, Mrs. Treasurer, my sincere thanks for the same. To my very efficient Secretary I again extend thanks.

CONCLUSION.

Thirteen months have passed since you placed me in charge of this Department. The memories of that time will be a bright star in my life, and if perchance I am ever quiet long enough to take a retrospective view, I shall love to dwell on the many pleasant recollections. But with the present war there seems to be no place to stop, for already the Soldiers' Aid Society of Colorado has been formed, and as your representative I was made one of the Vice Presidents and am on the emergency committee, and we hope that no soldiers will be allowed to pass through this Department hungry.

And now, as I shall in a few hours turn over the affairs to my successor, to her whom you shall select to carry on the work of this Department, remember that I am only human and as liable to mistakes as others, and if any unpleasant things have occurred, please forgive all, and think of me as your friend, as one that loves our Order, and when I shall have donned the Past Department President's badge, please think of me as one of the workers of our Order, and let me feel that I have the respect and esteem of the members in this Department and indeed of the Order in general.

"With heart and hand, with voice and pen, I've toiled the whole year through,
And loyally I've served our cause the very best I knew.
I bring the sheaves I've gathered in, the trophies I have won,
And only ask your gracious words, servant of all—well done."

Yours in F., C. and L.,

FANNIE D. WALTHALL HARDIN.

The Chair announced the following committees :

President's Address—

Mary L. Carr, Longmont; Mary Jewett Telford, Grand Junction; Clara Rapp, Denver.

Senior Vice President's Report—

Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs; Stella Newman, Denver; Bessie Wilcox, Longmont.

Junior Vice President's Report—

Hester W. Hartzell, Denver; Lucinda J. Smith, Pueblo; Sarah F. Russell, Denver.

Secretary—

Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek; Tillie Weiderhold, Boulder; Hattie Culver, Las Animas.

Treasurer—

Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Angie C. Grove, Denver; Matilda J. Hotchkiss, Ft Morgan.

Chaplain—

Olive M. Bacon, Aspen; Eile E. Tripp, Golden; Mary E. Ullmer, Boulder.

Comptroller—

Ida Critchell, Denver; Lucy M. Campbell, Denver; Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyo.

Inspector—

Ruth R. De Pue, Pueblo; Mary E. Neeley, Denver; Kate McCarthy, Leadville.

I. & I. Officer—

Edna A. Perry, Denver; Loretta Mummah, Cripple Creek; Nancy L. Cowell, Denver.

Chief Aide—

Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo.; Malania Lowther, Manitou; Frank Rice, Denver.

Chairman of Department Relief—

Emma Johnson, Denver; Ella M. Byers, Denver; Olivia L. Mandeville, Fort Collins.

Delegate at Large—

Emma Hughes, Cripple Creek; Amanda E. Weil, Las Animas; Hattie H. Otis, Fort Morgan.

Press Correspondent—

Jennie Dunnington, Colorado Springs; Emma D. Adams, Boulder; Mary R. Ellis, Denver.

Patriotic Instructor—

Ella Wayne, Florence; Lizzie Johnston, Littleton; Lizzie Yule, New Castle.

Countess—

Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs; Olive C. Butler, Denver; Delta F. Buell, Salda.

Resolutions—

Mary L. Carr, Longmont; Sadie Simons, Alamosa; Annie Burr, Rocky Ford.

Greetings to G. A. R.—

Mary L. Carr, Longmont; Mary J. Telford, Grand Junction; Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs; Lucy M. Campbell, Denver; Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek.

Ladies of the G. A. R.—

Edna A. Perry, Denver; Rosetta Fairchild, Denver; Annie E. Babbitt, Florence; Eliza LeFev-
er, Denver.

Ladies Aid Society—

Irene DeToliver, Colorado Springs; Alice T. Smith, Loretta Mummah, Cripple Creek.

Sons of Veterans—

Isa E. Crosby, Boulder; Frank Rice, Denver; Arabella C. Johnson, Fort Morgan.

*Press—*Mary U. Calvert.

Mrs. Alma Rohrig of Corps No. 23, Cripple Creek, paid a most touching compliment to the Department President, Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, by presenting them with bunches of American Beauties and to the National President yellow roses, symbolical of the colors of the Department and National W. R. C. officers, saying: "Mrs. President, in behalf of Jas. W. Anderson W. R. C. No 23, I wish to present to you a small tribute and token of our affection and esteem." Mrs. Hardin responded for the Department officers: "Mrs. Rohrig, please convey our thanks to Jas. W. Anderson Corps for their kind thoughtfulness in presenting these beautiful flowers." Mrs. Sarah J. Martin also extended her thanks.

At the close of the President's address the convention was opened in due form. Mrs. Olive McKee Corps No. 23, Mrs. Ruth Dana Corps No. 1, were appointed Conductors, Georgia Williams Corps No. 23 Guard, Bessie Wilcox Corps No. 32 Pianist, Hester W. Hartzell Assistant Secretary. Pass word was taken and the regular order of business followed.

The Department Senior Vice President read her report, which was referred to committee:

Report of Senior Vice President.

OFFICE OF DEPT. SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT,
Cripple Creek, Colo., June 1, 1898.

Miss Edna Hamilton :

In accordance with Rules and Regulations, it becomes my duty to submit to this convention my annual report. Having conscientiously assumed the obligation of my office, so generously bestowed by the Thirteenth Annual Convention held at Colorado Springs, it was my first duty to offer my services to our Department President to perform any duties imposed upon me that would promote the welfare of our Order, but as our President has been early and late to the front, it was not my privilege to be assigned to any direct official work. My duties have not been as arduous as I could have wished, as I am never so happy as when in line of duty working to advance the interests of our beloved Order. As a member of our local corps, I have worked assiduously for its growth and advancement and with the co-operation of the officers and members we have been rewarded by having many new members enrolled and the working interests of the corps in better condition than ever before.

Last January I officiated at the installation of our officers in joint installation with the Post. Department Commander Hollister was present and installed the officers of Post No. 96. A banquet and program followed and the occasion was one long to be remembered. In October I had the pleasure of entertaining at my home our Department President, who inspected our corps at that time. The proficiency with which the work was performed merited her approval and her words of praise and encouragement were a great incentive to our members for better work. It was my pleasure in company with our president, Mrs. Kyle, to visit Colorado Springs Corps No. 4, where we were received with the same warm cordiality extended to their guests last spring. Our pleasure was greatly augmented by an invitation to attend the reception in the evening tendered to the Post, Corps and Sons of Veterans by Col. and Mrs. Holbrook, the latter the President of the Corps. As one of the features of the entertainment, twenty-six members of the W. R. C. executed a very fine flag drill, which was received with great applause. These social meetings are to be commended for their influence in cementing the ties existing between the two organizations.

One of the most pleasant and greatly appreciated courtesies extended to me during the past year was the honor conferred by Department Commander Hollister in appointing me one of the five Auxiliary Aides of this Department, a compliment appreciated by No. 23 as well as myself. I trust that I have been able to some extent to strengthen the relations of the two organizations. I have received several invitations to attend open meetings in company with staff officers, but on account of the great expense incurred in accepting the same, I have been obliged to decline, much to my regret. The last few weeks I have devoted almost my entire time in assisting to mature the arrangements for the reception of our guests at this encampment. The duties were performed with pleasure and it was our desire that nothing should be left undone that would in the least mar the pleasure or embarrass the business sessions of the convention.

Owing to the dark clouds of war hovering over us, foreboding distress and sorrow to our loved America, and undoubtedly to many sisters in our Order, as many have gone out from the homes of our members, the W. R. C. will have a new mission to enter upon in accordance with the suggestions and request of our National President as issued in her recent circular letter. This appeal will find a ready response and willing hands to assist our gallant soldier boys in their efforts to relieve the cause of humanity in freeing the oppressed Cubans.

In closing my report I wish to thank the ladies of the Department who honored me with this position, and it will be my sincere desire in the future to encourage at all times the interests of the W. R. C.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L. ALICE M. SEEDS.

Dept. Senior Vice President.

Reports of Junior Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Counselor and Inspector were read and referred to their respective committees;

Report of Junior Vice President.

Office of DEPT. JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT, W. R. C.,
Grand Junction, Colo., June 11, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y.

Dear Madam:—A good soldier obeys orders. I come to you, therefore, with the circumscribed report of a Department Junior Vice President for the Corps of this Rocky Mountain world.

The honors which attach to this, or any other office in the Woman's Relief Corps, have not unduly exalted me, because corresponding duties have held me in their "working harness."

I do not enlarge upon the ordinary work done as a member of my own Corps. The privilege of active participation in the benefactions of the Local Relief Committee; the plans and accomplishment of duty to our honored dead; visits made in my individual capacity to other Corps; the usual hospitality given by our Corps to all visiting Comrades and Sisters at our annual festival known as "Peach Week," of these I do not speak, because they are part of my ordinary, unofficial work, which would have been my duty independent of this Department position.

The report of four inspections of as many Corps in the western part of Colorado fell to my happy lot, and are duly condensed in the Inspector's showing of her work.

It is therefore only left for me to say that it was a work of love to go to Hotchkiss—that center of great fruit growing interests, twenty-five miles off the railway, in Delta county; to Red Cliff, where a persistent little band keep fragrant the memory of Mrs. Goodrich, the inspirer of their early history within sound of picturesque Eagle canon; to Aspen, set like an emerald under the shadow of towering, mine-cleft mountains, and to New Castle, where amid the foreign population of a coal-mining camp, our Organization tells its story of steady, patriotic endeavor.

The members of these Corps accorded me honor as an officer in our

National Order, and confidence as a woman and citizen.

Glad to have been ever so small a factor in the work which holds our Nation among earth's worthiest, I submit this report.

Respectfully yours in fraternal words.

ELLA B. ACKERMAN,

Dep. Jun. Vice Pres.

Report of Department Secretary.

Office of DEPARTMENT SECRETARY,

Denver, Colo., June 1, 1898.

Fannie D. Hardin, Department President, W. R. C.

Dear Madam:—In compliance with Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you and to the members of the Fourteenth Department Convention the following report for the year just ending.

When you assumed the duties of your office there were in this Department 41 Corps, with a membership of 1,414.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1897.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Charter	40	By Death	3
By Initiation	61	By Honorable Discharge	12
By Transfer	4	By Transfer	4
Re-instatement from Suspension	10	By Suspension	28
Re-instatement from Dropped	2	By Delinquent reports	25
Re-instatement Delinquent Reports	14		—
Total	127	Total	155
Membership June 30, 1897	1,386.		

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1897.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
Initiation	29	Death	6
Transfer	3	Honorable Discharge	8
Re-instatement from Suspension	10	Transfer	29
Re-instatement from Dropped	1	Suspension	65
Re-instatement Delinquent Reports	57	Dishonorable discharge	1
Total	100	Delinquent Reports	67
		Total	176
Membership September 30, 1897	1,316.		

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1897.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
Charter	40	Death	4
Initiation	42	Honorable Discharge	15
Transfer	11	Transfer	17
Re-instatement from Suspension	27	Suspension	75
Re-instatement from Dropped	1	Delinquent Reports	43
Re-instatement Delinquent Reports	66		—
Total	193	Total	154
Membership December 31, 1897	1,355.		

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1898.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
Charter	22	Death	5
Initiation	113	Honorable Discharge	6
Transfer	9	Transfer	28
Re-instatement from Suspension	47	Suspension	30
Re-instatement from Dropped	7		—
Re-instatement Delinquent Reports	43	Total	69
Total	241		
Membership March 31, 1898	1,527.		

Showing an increase in membership for the year of 143

RELIEF.

CASH.

Second quarter, 1897.....	\$ 366.88
Third quarter, 1897.....	285.92
Fourth quarter, 1897.....	368.61
First quarter, 1898.....	460.77

Total..... \$1,482.18

OTHER THAN MONEY

Second quarter, 1897.....	\$ 511.30
Third quarter, 1897.....	494.79
Fourth quarter, 1897.....	1,602.80
First quarter, 1898.....	630.40

Total..... \$3,249.29

Corps on the Roll of Honor for the year are as follows :

Farragut No. 1.
Upton, No. 2.
Sedgwick, No. 3.
Colorado Springs, No. 4.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.
George G. Meade, No. 6.
James A. Garfield, No. 8.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.
Gunnison, No. 12.
Casper W. Collins, No. 13.
Veteran, No. 14.
U. S. Grant No. 15.
Wadsworth, No. 16.

R. A. Cameron, No. 18.
Custer, No. 20.
Reno, No. 21.
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.
Pfeiffer, No. 25.
George H. Thomas, No. 20.
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.
McPherson, No. 32.
Major Anderson, No. 35.
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.
George Washington, No. 42.
Joe Hooker, No. 43.
I. C. Fieumont, No. 45.

The Corps organized during the year are as follows :

Major Anderson, No. 25, Arvada, Colo., June 2, 1897.
Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City, Colo., October 10, 1897.
A. J. Smith, No. 41, Florence, Colo., December 4, 1897.
A. E. Burnside, No. 38, Loveland, Colo., January 3, 1898.
Elbert County, No. 29, Elbert, Colo., May 12, 1897.

Elbert County, No. 29, being organized since March first will appear on next quarter's report.
31 charter members.

Corps disbanded during the year :

Steadman No. 28, Telluride, June 10, 1897.
Holyoke No. 41 was really disbanded when you were elected, as they were two quarters in arrears for Per Capita tax.
Phil Sheridan No. 41, Dec. 31, 1897.
Battle Mountain No. 24, Red Cliff, March 31, 1897.

Complete set of supplies has been received from all disbanded Corps with the exception of Holyoke.

Corps having largest membership in the Department is Nat'l Lyon No. 27, Boulder—84. Corps doing the most relief work during the year was Colorado Springs No. 4, Colo. Springs—\$258.35 ; other than money, Colorado Springs No. 4—\$1,008.40. Corps initiating the most members during the year was Ellsworth No. 28, Central City—37. Total number of soldiers assisted during the year was 321.

Eleven General Orders, five Circular Letters and one Special from National have been issued, and eight General Orders, three Circular Letters, one Special and two Memorial Orders from the Department.

In common with my predecessors, I have been much annoyed, not only with delinquent but also incorrect reports. If Corps Presidents, before affixing their signature to the reports would take the time to carefully examine the same and be sure of their correctness, it would save much trouble and expense to the Department Secretary.

Mrs. President, when thirteen months ago you honored me by appointing me as your Secretary, thereby expressing your confidence in me, I realized the duties of the office and have always tried to fill the position to the best of my ability. I feel it quite an honor to have been the youngest Secretary of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming. If I have merited your approbation, I am content, and wish to extend to you my sincere thanks. To the Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, I wish to express my appreciation for her kindness and helpful instructions throughout the year. While there has been much work in connection with the office, there has also been many pleasures. Submitted in F. C. and L.

EDNA E. HAMILTON,
Department Secretary.

Report of Treasurer.

Office of DEPARTMENT TREASURER,
Denver, Colo., June 9th, 1898.

Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y.

Madam:—In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith a financial statement for the term ending June 9th, 1898.

ACCOUNT CURRENT.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

DEBIT.

Balance in General Fund.....	\$ 50.04
Balance in Memorial day in South Fund.....	2.25
Rec'd by E. L. C. Dwinell, Past Dept. Pres. from 13th Conven.	22.80
Per Capita Tax.....	502.00
Sale of Supplies.....	303.75
Maj. Anderson Corps, engrossing Charter.....	75
Rec'd by Fannie D. Hardin from National Con. Expenses	2.25
Memorial Day in the South, 1897.....	7.00
18.88.....	21.50
National Council of Women.....	0.92
Andersonville Prison Fund.....	10.45
Annie Wittenmyer Fund.....	17.50
Soldier's and Sailor's Home, Monte Vista.....	02.75
Chevyenne, Wyo.....	1.50
Total.....	\$1444.00

CREDIT.

Per Capita Tax, National Treasurer.....	\$ 172.80
Supplies from National Treasurer.....	270.70
Postage and express on Supplies.....	10.05
Printing General Orders, Circular Letters and Stationery.....	20.00
Printing 500 Journals 13th Dept. Convention.....	134.00
Express to send out Journals.....	10.07
Binding Journals.....	2.25
Returned to Corps No. 30 balance of Charter Fee.....	2.25
Katie L. Sahrbeck, Services at Convention.....	10.00
Engrossing Charter Corps No. 35.....	75
E. B. Stillings, postage on National Journals.....	0.40
Expenses Dept. President to National Convention.....	0.00
Badges for National Convention.....	12.50
Supplies returned by Corps.....	2.41
Salary Secretary and Treasurer.....	150.00
Postage, Exp. on Patriotic Literature, Telegrams and Exchange	04.92
Office supplies, wrapping paper, twine, repairing letter scale	
and badges, car fare Dept. Officers.....	15.30
Dept. Pres. inspection of Corps and Soldiers' Home at Monte	
Vista and Chevyenne.....	30.25
Dept. Junior Vice Pres. inspection of Corps.....	25.00
Dept. Inspector inspection of Corps.....	5.00
Dept. President official visits.....	13.10
National Treasurer Memorial Day in the South, 1897.....	7.25
18.88.....	21.50
National Treasurer Andersonville Prison Fund.....	10.45
National Treasurer Annie Wittenmyer Fund.....	17.50
Literature for Soldiers' Home, Monte Vista, Colo.....	02.75
Chevyenne, Wyo.....	1.50
Dept. President expenses for 14th Dept. Convention.....	25.00
Transferred to Relief Fund.....	10.00
One Beath's Blue Book, Asst. Adj. Gen.....	1.00
Fannie D. Hardin, Dept. Pres. Testimonial.....	50.00
Total.....	\$1444.00

Total Debits..... \$1444.00
 " Credits..... 1442.40

Carry Balance, General Fund..... \$1.60

RELIEF FUND.

DEBIT.

Balance in Relief Fund.....	\$ 50.24
Received from Lou Faust, Chairman of Relief.....	8.15
Transferred from General Fund.....	86.27
Donated to fund by Mulligan Corps, No. 22.....	1.00
" " " Farragut Corps, No. 1.....	1.00
" " " Sedgwick Corps, No. 3.....	1.00
" " " Battle Mountain, No. 29.....	3.49
" " for Nat'l W. R. C. Home by Jim Bowie, No. 30.....	5.00
Total Receipts.....	\$ 150.34

CREDIT.

Department Relief Committee.....	\$103.95
Isabelle T. Bagley, Nat'l Treas. for W. R. C. Home.....	5.00
Total.....	\$108.95
Total Receipts.....	\$150.34
" Disbursements.....	108.95
Cash Balance, Relief Fund.....	\$ 41.39

LIST OF SUPPLIES.

2 Bronze Pins.....	50
6 ³ / ₄ yards Badge Ribbon (Membership).....	1.71
7 ⁵ / ₈ yards Badge Ribbon (Corps officers).....	1.96
10 ¹ / ₂ yards Badge Ribbon (Department officers).....	2.57
47 Emblems, (Bronze 29, silver 11, gilt 7).....	1.41
3 Corps Charters.....	75
4 Corps Service Books.....	1.00
13 Burial and Memorial Service.....	1.30
4 Rules and Regulations.....	28
38 Applications for Membership.....	38
61 Invoice of Supplies to Corps.....	16
55 Corps Members Arrearage Blanks.....	27
11 Corps Treasurer's Bonds.....	22
3 Sheets Music, Opening Ode.....	30
1 Initiation March.....	50
71 Opening Ode.....	1.42
39 Discharge Cards.....	1.78
164 Transfer Cards.....	3.28
92 Visiting Cards.....	1.84
1 Journal.....	80
6 Ledgers.....	5.40
4 Cash Books.....	3.60
4 Roll Books.....	3.60
3 Corps Secretary's Order Books.....	1.50
3 Corps Treasurer's Receipt Books.....	1.50
1 Department Sec'y Order Book.....	70
1 Department Treasurer's Receipt Book.....	70
1 General Order File.....	60
1 Letter File.....	70
6 Red Books.....	3.90
1 large Electro.....	35
1 small Electro.....	25
49 Specimen sheets of Ledger.....	1.96
49 Specimen sheets of Cash Book.....	1.96
736 Corps Treasurer's Reports, (Form W).....	7.36
5 Patriotic Primers.....	1.25
6 Diagrams of Parliamentary Laws.....	4.50
64 Badges Corps Officers.....	25.60
21 Membership Badges.....	8.49
Total.....	\$95.76

LIST OF DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

1 Hectograph.....	\$ 3 50	1 Treasurer's Receipt Book \$	70
1 Letter Scale.....	1 50	1 Large Electro.....	35
Banners.....	300 00	1 Small Electro.....	25
8 Silver Badge Pins.....	24 00	Charter Ribbons.....	10
1 Trunk, Treasurer.....	6 00	24 Gilt Seals.....	24
1 Trunk, Secretary.....	4 50	2 Letter Files.....	1 10
1 Supply Ledger.....	6 50	2 Beath's Blue Books.....	2 00
1 Per Capita Tax Book.....	2 75	12 Nat'l Credential Cards.....	15
1 Ledger.....	8 00	2 Red Books, 1897.....	1 30
1 Seal.....	3 00	2 Rituals.....	50
1 Charter.....	10 00	2 Dept. Service Book.....	1 00
9 Dept. Officer's Badges.....	3 60	Book on Patriotic Teaching.....	1 00
1 Secretary's Order Book.....	70	General Order Files.....	1 20

\$384 24

5 National and Department bound Books. A large supply of National and Department Journals

FREE BLANKS.

17 Application for Charter.....	9 Changes in Red Book.....
196 Form N.....	8 Addition to Service Book.....
87 Form U.....	8 Addition to Burial and Mem. Ser.....
51 Form O.....	4 Forms of Financial Reports.....
240 Form J.....	224 Form L.....
3 Department Requisitions.....	166 Form G.....
5 Corps Requisition.....	580 Form B.....
15 Form F.....	615 Form A.....
10 Form E.....	

Cash Balance in General Fund.....	\$ 02 50
" " " Relief ".....	47 48
Supplies on hand.....	95 56
Department Property.....	384 24

Total..... \$389 68

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That all Corps send money to Treasurer by Postoffice or Express Orders, as the banks charge exchange on checks.

2. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals and give to the lowest reliable bidder.

In closing my year's work, I only regret that our balance in Treasury is not more, although we have been as economical as possible. We cannot give too much credit to our Department President. It is owing to her energy that every Corps in the department has been visited and inspected. I am glad to say that our Order is gaining in membership, as the sale of badges and application for membership show. We have sold 450 badges this year.

My sincerest thanks are due to all my associates, especially the Secretary, Auditing Committee, Council and Treasurers of Corps for their kindness, courtesy and good wishes. And now dear President and friend, how can I thank you for your kindness and consideration at all times to me? God bless and spare you many years to labor in the good work you love so well, the good of our beloved Order and the welfare of our Comrades of the G. A. R. May the bonds of unity, love and friendship formed during the year become stronger and firmer as the years go by, is the wish of

Yours in F. C. and L.,

CLARA RAPP,

Department Treasurer.



EDNA E. HAMILTON,
DEPARTMENT SECRETARY.

Report of Chaplain.

Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y.

In obedience to the rules and regulations of our order, I have the honor to submit the following report. It does not lie within the scope of my pen to report all that has been done in this department in the months that have come and gone since I was elected to this office. Some of the most valuable things in this life cannot be described by pen. When we remember what the duties of the Chaplain are, we know that her part of this work is only to give voice to what others have done. There seems, however, to have been a great deal accomplished not alone in material ways, but in morals taught, for we have seen some good accomplished by the influence of this Order and the G. A. R. in lessening amusements on Memorial Day. The day above all other days that we remember the defenders of our Nation. Let each woman of this Order teach by word and act that the old soldier is a living patriotism more potent than granite or bronze, and that this and succeeding generations can never pay the debt we owe, and the least that this and the rising generation can do is to show a proper respect for one day dedicated to sacred memories.

Number of members taking part in Memorial Day services, 908.

Number of children taking part, 7,263.

Number of soldiers' graves decorated, 1,671.

Amount of cash expended, \$248.20.

Amount sent South, \$19.50.

The spirit of the scythe and glass has been busy as well, and has touched the following of our Order since our last report:

Jane Lincoln, McPherson No. 32, died May 30, 1897. At the time of her death was Corps Chaplain.

Mrs. Rachel Cochran, Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, died September 16, 1897.

Mary Adaline Markham, Geo. Washington No. 42, died Sept. 9, 1897.

Mrs. Anna Phillips, Reno No. 21, died November 20, 1897. Past President of George Washington Corps.

Mrs. Maria Eslinger, Colorado Springs No. 4, died September 25, 1897.

Mrs. Mary Luman, T. H. Dodd No. 5, died November 20, 1897.

Pauline Weil Gardner, Richardson No. 33, died November 13, 1897.

Mrs. Mary Webb, George G. Meade No. 6, died October 17, 1897.

Mrs. Effie Shirey, George G. Meade, died January 1, 1898.

Hannah Babcock, Colorado Springs No. 4, died February 6, 1898.

Nellie Eveland, Colorado Springs No. 4, died April 12, 1898.

Mary Chapman, Colorado Springs No. 4, died May 25, 1898.

Thus one by one we pass away, the bitter chalice drink;

Our graves are yearning for their prey, we stand upon the brink;

Yet why should we shrink back undone, or be with fear oppressed?

'Tis through the grave, the grave alone, we reach the golden rest.

In closing my report, I wish to extend fraternal greetings to all with whom I have been associated, hoping the incoming year will be one of great prosperity to our beloved Order.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L., ADELIA C. MACAULEY,

Department Chaplain.

Memorial Report of Department Chaplain, W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, for the Year 1897.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	No. members taking part in Memorial Service.	Did Corps as a body attend Sabbath School?	How many soldiers' graves were decorated?	How many children took part?	What expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for the Post?	Were flowers purchased or contributed?	Was a Memorial known Dead?	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAINS.
Farragut.....	1	Denver.....	45	25	Yes	Assisted in 135	None	4 60	No	Pur.	Yes	Special honor conferred upon President. Corps had 72 carriages in parade.
Upton.....	2	Pueblo.....	31	24	..	28	46	11 60	..	Both	..	Great interest and large salute by school.
Sedgwick.....	3	Durango.....	30	27	..	75	None	None	..	..	..	Pain interfered with services. Part.
Colorado Springs.....	4	Colorado Springs.....	70	50	..	31	125	50	Yes	..	No	Beautiful day. People generally took
T. H. Dodd.....	5	Golden.....	38	30	..	66	None	4 25	No	Pur.	Yes	Beautiful day. People generally took
George G. Meade.....	6	Denver.....	10	10	..	22	..	2 12	Yes	..	..	The day was fine and good parade.
E. V. Sumner.....	7	Silver Cliff.....	60	36	..	160	..	95 60	..	..	..	Day enjoyed. Great patriotic display.
James A. Garfield.....	8	Leadville.....	21	14	..	60	27	None	..	..	..	Rainy time, but large attendance.
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	Cheyenne.....	15	7	..	37	..	14 60	..	Both	..	Large attendance, much interest.
General Shields.....	10	New Castle.....	24	24	..	7	..	3 00	..	Both	..	Large attendance, much interest.
Gunnison.....	11	Gunnison.....	25	40	..	2	..	None	Yes	..	..	Attended Trinity services in body.
Custer W. Collins.....	12	Ravins.....	25	10	..	1	..	None	No	..	..	Monument to unknown dead in service.
Veteran.....	13	Denver.....	45	15	No	1	..	3 00	..	..	..	The W. R. C. had interesting program.
L. S. Grant.....	14	Creeley.....	33	20	..	100	..	1 00	..	..	..	Services well attended. Large procession.
Wadsworth.....	15	Rocky Ford.....	30	27	..	2	..	None	..	Both	..	Pleasant weather; services well attended.
Grand Junction.....	16	Grand Junction.....	32	28	..	45	..	20 00	..	..	..	Weather fine; services impressive.
R. A. Cameron.....	17	Fort Morgan.....	37	25	..	135	..	20 00	..	..	..	Only one soldier's grave in the country.
Winfield Scott.....	18	Aspen.....	32	25	..	30	..	None	Yes	Pur.	..	Beautiful day, and fittingly observed.
Custer.....	19	Aspen.....	45	15	..	1	..	2 00	No	..	..	Large crowd observed the day.
Reynolds.....	20	Leadville.....	21	17	No	1	..	2 00	..	..	..	Larger attendance than ever before.
Mulligan.....	21	Denver.....	30	17	Yes	1	..	14 60	Yes	..	..	Fine day; citizens went with A. R.
J. W. Anderson.....	22	Springfield.....	30	25	Yes	22	70	14 60	..	..	..	Services fine; flag drill by A. R.
W. T. Sherman.....	23	Cripple Creek.....	13	11	No	34	14	None	No	Pur.	..	Junior Order observed day of G. A. R.
Piedler.....	24	Alamosa.....	10	22	Yes	34	..	None	..	..	..	Post and Corps and citizens served day.
George H. Thomas.....	25	Fort Collins.....	30	40	No	52	..	14 60	..	..	..	Whole city celebrated; great interest.
Nathaniel Lyon.....	26	Boilder.....	20	12	..	74	..	2 00	..	..	..	Large parade; dinner served after ser.
Battle Mountain.....	27	Red Cliff.....	20	12	Yes	1	..	2 00	..	..	..	Observed by Post and Corps.
Jim Bowie.....	28	Creeley.....	45	38	..	29	..	4 00	..	..	..	Services to unknown dead by floral piece.
McPherson.....	29	Longmont.....	45	30	..	32	..	4 00	..	..	..	Perfect day; large attendance.
Richardson.....	30	Las Animas.....	31	20	..	17	..	2 75	..	..	..	W. R. C. and L. A. S. decorated graves.
Kilpatrick.....	31	La Junta.....	25	14	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	Ceremony at Soldier's Home. Beautiful
Stanton.....	32	Akron.....	30	15	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	Address by Dept. Commander.
W. S. Peak.....	33	Salida.....	30	12	Yes	71	..	4 70	..	..	..
W. A. Crocker.....	34	Montrose.....	20	12	..	24	..	2 50	..	..	..
Pho Sheridan.....	35	Denver Vista.....	15	17	..	25	..	..	..	..	..
George Washington.....	36	Denver Vista.....	15	10	..	40	
Joe Hooker.....	37	Monte Vista.....	47	35	..	65	
J. C. Fremont.....	38	Littleton.....	20	10	..	11	100	No	
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Memorial Report of Department Chaplain, W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, for the Year 1908.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	No. members taking part in Memorial Service.	Did Corps as a body attend Sabbath Memorial Service?	How many soldiers' graves were decorated?	How many children took part?	What expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for the Post?	Were flowers provided by post or contributed?	Was a Memorial known Dead?	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAINS.
Farragut.....	1	Denver.....	45	40	Yes	635	1000	\$ 25 00	No	Pur.	No	Weather fine. People united. Largest general Memorial Service.
Lupton.....	2	Pueblo.....	32	25	"	150	35	20 00	Yes	Both	Yes	Day time large parade. Celebrated universally. More interest than ever before.
Sedgewick.....	3	Durango.....	74	55	"	85	500	5 75	Yes	Con.	"	Pleasant day. Fine parade. Large attendance.
Colorado Springs.....	4	Golden.....	72	50	"	31	20	55	No	Both	"	All civic orders took part. Large parade, general observance. Services very impressive. Immense crowd, great interest.
T. H. Dodd.....	5	Denver.....	62	50	"	30	30	8 75	Yes	"	No	Indian band furnished music.
George G. Meade.....	6	Silver Cliff.....	9	8	"	100	75	15 00	Yes	Con.	Yes	Day time. Flowers provided for Veterans.
E. V. Sumner.....	7	Leadville.....	6	15	"	23	200	10 00	Yes	"	"	Good attendance at church. Services to Unknown Dead.
James A. Garfield.....	8	Cheyenne.....	20	15	"	23	200	20 00	"	"	Yes	Large attendance. W. of W. assisting.
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	New Castle.....	14	0	"	15	200	5 00	"	Both	"	Perfect day, monuments to Music, literature. All organizations assisted.
General Shields.....	10	Gunnison.....	30	15	"	15	200	5 00	"	Con.	"	Only organized since May 14
Gunnison.....	11	Rawlins.....	30	15	"	15	200	5 00	"	"	"	Camp fire in evening.
Casper W. Collins.....	12	Denver.....	12	10	"	30	40	30 00	Yes	"	"	Parade of Marine Band at 11 A. M. at Fort Collins.
Veteran.....	13	Greely.....	55	30	"	30	40	30 00	"	"	"	No races or public amusements. Post and Corps took part in parade. Fine program.
Wadsworth.....	14	Rocky Ford.....	33	32	"	24	300	4 00	"	"	"	Day observed at Soldiers' Home. Each carried a flag to cemetery.
Grand Junction.....	15	Fort Morgan.....	30	25	"	45	200	4 00	"	"	"	
P. A. Cameron.....	16	Aspen.....	35	20	"	45	200	4 00	"	"	"	
Winfield Scott.....	17	Leadville.....	35	18	"	44	200	4 00	"	"	"	
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J. W. Anderson.....	21	Springfield.....	30	14	"	44	200	4 00	"	"	"	
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Report of Department Counselor.

Colorado Springs, May 25, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y W. R. C.

Obedient to Rules and Regulations, I submit my report as Counselor to the Dept. Pres.: The year has been so full of care and anxiety to me that our president has not submitted many questions of interest to this Dept., although we have conferred together on many subjects. One of our oldest Corps was having a hard struggle to retain its Charter. The president submitted the following question: "Can a Corps hold its Charter when there is not a quorum if they pay their Per Capita?" The Red Book tells us that a Corps *may* hold its Charter by permission of Department President with less than ten members. As the word "may" is used, it is in my opinion left to the judgment of the President in such cases, always remembering that it must be for the best interest of our Order.

I am, however, convinced that it is best to keep to the letter of the law, if our work would prosper, and that most of the trouble our Department and Corps experience is in the lack of knowledge of our Rules and Regulations and the Red Book. I would also like to include both National and Department Journals. I wish I might impress upon every member of our Order the necessity of knowing what they are doing when they attempt any work in the Order. A vast amount of trouble would be saved were all to study more carefully the rules that govern us.

Thanking the Officers for all courtesies and our President for her many kindnesses, I herewith submit this report in F. C. & L.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

Department Counselor.

Report of Inspector.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y, W. R. C.

I have the honor to report the inspection of Corps for the year ending August 31, 1897. Owing to the condition of the finances of Department many consultations with the President were necessary before any definite arrangements could be made so that the work could be conducted in an economical manner and at the same time thoroughly. Owing to the Blank Form 00 having been sent out with instructions to fill out and return to the National, the work of Inspection had been in reality performed up to within two months of the end of the year. It was, however, decided to make a personal Inspection as far as practicable, and it gives me great pleasure to report a personal visit to each Corps in the Department by the Department President, who through her untiring efforts, secured transportation over all the roads on which our Corps are situated.

Number of Corps on the Roster Sept. 1st, 1896	41
Inspected	41
Meetings held during the year	1,042
Members in good standing	1,384
Average attendance of Officers	61
Members	131
Cash expended for Relief	\$1,787.50
remaining in Relief Fund	602.74
turned over to Posts	995.26

Following are the Corps inspected by Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin, who reports the same:

Farragut No. 1, of Denver. This Corps A No. 1 in work as well as in number. Work shows that the Ritual and Rules and Regulations of our Order have been studied by the Officers, as well as excellent relief work done by the Committee. Refreshments served, Comrades invited and a good time enjoyed.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo. Pueblo is to be congratulated upon their Corps. They do their work well: the President has the entire Ritual memorized, as well as several of the Officers. Have just had a successful entertainment, showing interest and hard work done. I hope they may increase in numbers during the coming year, for they have good material to draw from.

Sedgewick No. 3, Durango. A good wide-awake Corps 500 miles from Headquarters, but up to date in their work. Prompt in response to calls for relief, and reports show a good relief fund as well as a large amount expended for the same.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs. Prosperous Corps, membership large and great interest shown by members for "Good of Order." Largest report of relief of any Corps in the Department. Post and Corps in harmony. Wish we had many more like them. Cake and coffee served during the afternoon.

E. V. Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff. Corps doing little work. The President buried her husband and has been sick unfit for her duties. I think after election of officers this once good Corps will take new courage and try to build up again.

Jas. A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville. Always abounding in good deeds, as relief report shows. In addition to this a large ball has just been given for the benefit of one of their members, which they estimated would net \$100. The Comrades were invited to meet me, refreshments were served and a good time had by all.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne. A few earnest, devoted women doing all the work. Membership good, but attendance poor. Relief work first class, showing that some one has worked hard.

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison. This Corps is made up of a body of earnest women. They have few calls for relief, but are able to meet any and all demands made upon them, fully realizing the object for which we are banded together. A reception was given at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Palmer, Department Aide, for the Inspector and members of the Corps, which was a very enjoyable affair.

Casper W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo. This is a good Corps: doing good work, not having many calls for relief. They are preparing to erect a monument to the memory of their soldier dead, and are progressing nicely with their fund for the same.

Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford. There was a good attendance and great interest shown for the "Good of the Order," many questions being asked the Inspector, thereby showing their interest. Instructions given and kindly received. A surprise party was given me in the evening at the home of the Secretary, and a good time was the verdict of all.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyo. One of the best Corps in the Department. Good attendance, every one showing an interest in the work. Have just fitted up a hall at great expense, and still have a good amount of money left in the general fund. Reports of committee show they know what they were appointed for.

Mulligan No. 22, Springfield. This Corps, 51 miles from a railroad has never been visited by a Department officer before. Mrs. Wright of Lamar organized them, and inspected them in 1895. They do well considering the chance they have had. Being so far away, have never had a representative in a Department or National convention. They have plenty of money, and I have urged them to send one of their members to the Department convention. They were glad to have me visit them.

J. W. Anderson No. 23, Cripple Creek. This Corps is well officered. The work of the Ritual is memorized in every detail. They have increased in membership this year. Their reports show a good amount of relief extended, as well as a large amount of money turned over to the Post during the year. The work of the Ritual as performed by this Corps exceeds any that it has been my pleasure to see on my inspection tour.

Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa. A small band of earnest women, striving to perfect themselves in the work of our Order. They are a young Corps weak in numbers, but strong in purpose; will attain a high standard of perfection ere long and will rank equally with many of the older Corps.

Jim Bowie No. 30, Anethyst. This is a new Corps, not yet a year old. They do their work in a creditable manner, have a membership of 27 with a prospect of adding many more. A reception was held in the evening where I met the Comrades and citizens. All gave me a hearty welcome and the members of the Post were loud in their praises of their Auxiliary.

Richardson No. 33, Las Animas. New Corps, all new in the work. Have not made much progress, but will in time. The President has been away a good deal of the time. With the advent of new officers we will look for good results from them. Have done good relief work, other than money, caring for an unfortunate family.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou. This Corps has little relief work to do, but is wide awake and meets twice a month in business and twice to sew for the poor. Their treasury is full, showing that they are not idle. Twelve members from Colorado Springs Corps visited them on Inspection Day. Lunch was served and a profitable time had by all.

Phil Sheridan No. 41, Buena Vista. Very much discouraged on account of non-attendance of members. Plenty of money, but little interest shown in the work by a majority of members.

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista. This Corps has a large membership and keeps up its average attendance with that of other Corps of its size. Their opportunities are greater than any other Corps in the Department, as they are so close to the Soldiers' Home, whose inmates need the encouragement they receive from the Corps. They only meet once a month and cannot attain the perfection in their ritualistic work that they otherwise could.

Mrs. Telford of Grand Junction kindly consented to inspect No. 17 at her home, and reports as follows:

Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction. The pinched condition of finances in Grand Junction this year, owing to extremely low prices for fruit, added to the general depression, makes the amount of relief in money much smaller than for years. The demand has been mainly for food and and clothes, and this has never failed to be furnished. The spirit of the Corps is excellent. A small cloud in the sky early in the year neither

brought or even threatened a cyclone, and the weather now is all fair. The manner of performing the ritualistic work is fair. I erred in the pressing too close upon each other in balloting and too great an inclination to "eyes right" and "eyes left" to prevent the entire secrecy of the ballot, but I find this fault everywhere. This Corps has this year bought and paid for a block in the burial ground for the last resting place of the Veterans. The quality of the women who belong is good.

Mrs. Ella B. Ackerman, Junior Vice-President, inspection Corps Nos. 10, 11, 19 and 29. She reports:

General Shields No. 10, Aspen Castle. Full of enthusiasm for the work, and doing the best they can.

North Fork No. 11, Hot Springs. Very much in need of all encouragement they can get from headquarters. We held no meeting. Only five members were living in town, the rest in the country and could not get them out. I met those that live in town and they were very anxious for me to make a report of some kind. They are a splendid set of well-meaning women, and are doing all they can for the good of the order, but are having all the trials that a young and isolated Corps can have. They have built a hall, and have it all paid for but \$75, so you see they are not losing interest, and so far have not had any calls for relief work. I gave them all the information I could, and I think they will come out all right after a while. The trouble in this Corps is petty bickerings among the members; they cannot give up to the majority rule and they have had three different Secretaries and two different Treasurers so far this year. I could not examine the books, as it would take some time to get them so you could understand them, but the President, Secretary and Treasurer said they would get together this week and straighten them all up and that they were sure they were all correct.

Winfield Scott No. 16, Aspen. In need of all the encouragement they can get from headquarters.

Battle Mountain No. 20, Red Cliff. On the verge of disbanding from lack of attendance, as every one is leaving town on account of the mines closing down.

The following Corps I had the pleasure of visiting personally:

T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden. I find much improvement and better attendance over inspection two years ago. This Corps is one of the oldest in the Department, and has been tried many times and always found ready. Is fortunate in being situated in a locality where calls for relief work are not very frequent, but are always among the first to respond to all demands. Perfect harmony prevails with the Post.

George G. Meade No. 6, Denver. One of the first-class Corps in the Department, and errors in work done on the day of inspection in this, as in every other Corps, due entirely to nervousness. Every detail of the work thoroughly understood and carried out according to the strictest interpretation of the rules and regulations. Large amount done in relief. Very large membership. This Corps is A No. 1, and carries the honor of having for one of its members our present Department President.

Veteran No. 14, Denver. To sit throughout a session is an education, and I sincerely wish that it could be possible for all other corps not in

the work to see the perfect manner in which the ritual was exemplified. From the opening until the close, the President did not open her ritual. Of only one other Corps that I visited can I say this. This Corps also shows vast amount of relief work done. Also A No. 1.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley. Very large attendance present at inspection. I cannot say that the floor work was wholly memorized, but otherwise well performed. Here I heard the General Orders read in a way so impressive that members were compelled to listen to them. If our Corps could only realize the time that is spent over these orders I am sure that more time would be taken in reading them. On account of other orders and clubs loss in membership is reported. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon.

R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan. Here I met a full attendance. Find the work fairly well performed, not memorized, but great interest shown by the members. Harmony exists between the Post and Corps.

Reno No. 21, Denver. This Corps gains steadily in membership, and has one of the largest relief funds in the Department, and certainly the finest hall, with ample room, to perform our beautiful floor work, of any that I have seen. Reno has turned over to the Post \$50. Post and Corps are justly proud of each other.

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans. No meeting of this Corps was had. Only three of the members were accessible. Are undecided about holding the Charter, but will try still longer. Another order recently organized has taken largely from material from which they might have builded. I advised them, if they saw fit, to surrender their charter to place their cards in with the Greeley Corps, which is only a few minutes' drive from Evans.

George H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins. Found this Corps somewhat discouraged and not so well up in the work as might be possible, but prompt in calls of relief. A good membership and quite a fair attendance gave me the impression that this should be one of the banner Corps, and I feel assured that such will prove to be the case. I was delightfully entertained at the home of the President, and shall long remember Fort Collins.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder. This is indeed a banner Corps, and I was greeted with the pleasant sight of 60 members present. The work was memorized and most beautifully performed. The President had no occasion to use her ritual, even in giving the charges to candidates. I do not think I ever fully realized how impressive our initiatory work is. A beautiful hall and music to the entire floor work added great interest. Over \$100 spent in relief during the year shows what a vast amount of aid this Corps is rendering. Refreshments were served, and at the close I was given a bunch of most beautiful chrysanthemums, which I carried over the trip "around the Horn."

McPherson No. 32, Longmont. Was taken at once to the G. A. R. hall, where dinner was almost ready, and such a dinner. Many of the Comrades were present. A session of the Corps was held in the afternoon, which was well attended. The work is well understood, and inspection really a pleasure. I think this Corps has the honor of having the oldest member of any in the Department, with perhaps one exception.

for the Year Ending August 31, 1897.

Estimated value of relief other than money.	Do the books of Sec- y. Treas. show that they have been au- dited by the Finance Com. quarterly?	Is the Charter in full at every regu- lar meeting?	Are copies of Reg- Quarterly Relief Reports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Representative make written report of the proceedings of last Dept. Com. Amount of money turned over to Post from Sept. 1, 1896, to Sept. 1, 1897.	Is the work of the Ritual memoriz'd?	Is it otherwise properly perform'd?	Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and are books correct?	Is the work of the Treasurer properly performed and are books correct?	
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Annual Report of the Inspector of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C., for the Year Ending August 31, 1897.

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This dear old lady was present, and is over 90 years of age. Mrs. Carr gave us an account of the National Convention and the new flag work lately introduced.

Major Anderson No. 35, Arvada. This Corps is young and needs all the encouragement and advice possible. Not enough members were present to hold a regular session, but it was considered best to meet in a private house to reduce expenses. The Department President has made numerous visits to this Corps, and with their bright, energetic President will succeed, I hope, in building up a useful Corps.

Akron No. 30, Akron. Five of us met at the home of Mrs. Derby, the President, and discussed ways and means. The books did not show that they had been audited, and only eight meetings had been held during the year. It was decided to continue to hold the Charter, at least a while. During the evening and until the train left sometime in the night, Mrs. Derby and I called on a number of the members.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver. This is one of the strong Corps of the Department. Quite a large attendance was present and the floor work was well understood. It is always getting up some original idea in regard to entertainments to replenish the relief fund, so in consequence is ready for any demand. This and the other large Corps of the Department do not need inspection, only as it affords a great pleasure to the inspector.

George Washington No. 42, Denver. So small an attendance was present that the work could not be properly put on, but those that were there were capable, efficient officers. The books of Treasurer and Secretary are well kept, and not a Corps in the Department has a better Post to work with.

J. C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton. One of the smaller Corps, without very many calls for assistance. I am glad to report a larger membership and greater interest than two years ago. The floor work is not perfect and some nervousness apparent, all on account of the presence of the Inspector. This Corps has one of the best kept set of Treasurer's books in the Department. The work of the Secretary is also well done.

To Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, belongs the honor of the largest membership 88.

Colorado Springs No. 1, Colorado Springs, has spent \$359.98 for relief work during the year and \$1,009.75 in other than money.

James A. Garfield No. 8 has turned over to their Post \$50, and the same amount by Reno Corps to their Post.

And now, Mrs. President and my associate officers, my work is finished, and I can say farewell. During the entire year the most uniform kindness and consideration has been shown me, and I have done with great pleasure and profit the duties assigned me to the best of my ability. I did not know it was possible to meet so many delightful people, and I have looked forward to this Convention to renew those acquaintances.

Any recommendations that I have had to offer are embodied in the report of the Department President. I do, however, think that the issuing of Blank Forms 00 should either be sufficient for the purpose of inspection or abolished as unnecessary. Respectfully submitted in P. C. and L.,

HESTER W. HARTZELL

Dept. Inspector, W. R. C.

Business suspended to admit Committee of Greetings from the Grand Army, consisting of Gen. Byron L. Carr, Gen. H. O. Dodge and J. S. Harbottle Past Commandant of the Soldier's Home at Monte Vista. Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin welcomed them in the following words: "As the representative of this body and in the name of this Convention, I hereby welcome you, Comrades, and would be pleased to hear the message you bring to us from your Encampment." Each responded to the Dept. President's invitation in short addresses. Mrs. Hardin said: "Comrades, these greetings borne by you from the Grand Army of the Republic, in convention assembled and voluntarily extended to our organization, is an epoch in our history of which we may all be proud. In performing the executive duties of the year just ending I have ever tried to do my honest, conscientious duty toward your Order, and we feel proud to day that we are Auxiliary to such an organization as yours, and if you will permit me, I will adorn you with a Badge and picture of your late Assistant Adj. General, Jas. W. Anderson." The Committee retired, after which business was resumed.

Report of L. and L. Officer, Mary A. Eldridge was read and referred to committee:

Report of L. and L. Officer.

Golden, Colo., May 26th, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y.

I herewith submit my report as Department Instituting and Installing Officer, together with the consolidated report from Assistant L. and L. Officers, for the year 1897-98. Notwithstanding all that has been said by my predecessors, there is great neglect in making out and forwarding reports of Installation to the Department L. and L. Officer.

FARRAGUT No. 1, Denver, January 1: President, Mrs. Frank Rice. Installing Officer, Minnie L. Benson. Public and joint with Post.

UPTON No. 2, Pueblo, January 6: President, Lucinda J. Smith. Installing Officer, Millie Bump. Private.

SEDCWICK No. 3, Durango, January 6: President, Mrs. Minnie Love. Installing Officer, Mary A. West. Private.

COLORADO SPRINGS No. 4, Colorado Sp'gs, January 4: President, Ella B. Holbrook. Installing Officer, E. L. C. Dwinell. With Post.

T. H. DODD No. 5, Golden, January 13: President, Ella E. Tripp. Installing Officer, Mary A. Eldridge. Public and joint with Post.

GEO. G. MEADE No. 6, Denver, January 10: President, Nancy Cowell. Installing Officer, Fannie D. Hardin. Public and joint with Post.

E. V. SUMNER No. 7, Silver Cliff, January 6: President, Sarah A. White. Installing Officer, Carrie L. McNeely. Private.

JAS. A. GARFIELD No. 8, Leadville, January 5: President, Mrs. K. McCarthy. Installing Officer, Susie J. Searle. Joint with Post and private.

J. H. REYNOLDS No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo. President, Mrs. Kate McCabe. Installing Officer, Sadie M. Fisher. Private.

GEN. SHIELDS No. 10, New Castle, President, Catherine Brainard. Installing Officer, Ellen Hahn. Private.

HOTCHKISS No. 11, Hotchkiss, January 8: President, Mary A. Miller. Installing Officer, L. D. Wilmot. Joint with Post and Sons of V

GUNNISON No. 12, Gunnison, January 5: President, Harrie Bray Whipp. Installing Officer, Jessie Sharp Purrier. Private.

CASPER W. COLLINS No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.: President, Hannah E. Stuver. Installing Officer, U. S. Hollister, Dept. Com. Joint with Post.

VETERAN No. 14, Denver, January 1: President, Olive C. Eadler. Installing Officer, Janette L. Todd. Joint with Post.

U. S. GRANT No. 15, Greeley, January 6: President, Elizabeth B. Clark. Installing Officer, Jennie G. Harper. Private.

WADSWORTH No. 16, Rocky Ford, January 1: President, Carrie Price. Installing Officer, Flora J. Hall. Joint with Post.

GRAND JUNCTION No. 17, Grand Junction, January 1: President, Amy Young. Installing Officer, Ida M. Fahis. Joint with Post.

R. A. CAMERON No. 18, Fort Morgan, January 1: President, and bella C. Johnson. Installing Officer, J. D. Johnson. Private.

WINFIELD SCOTT No. 19, Aspen: President, L. Anna Hare. Installing Officer, Commander B. F. Porter. Joint with Post.

CUSTER No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., January 3: President, Mary P. Yund. Installing Officer, Anna Bristol. Joint with Post and public.

RENO No. 21, Denver, January 6: President, Lucy M. Chapron. Installing Officer, H. W. Hartzell. Joint with Post.

MULLIGAN No. 22, Springfield, January 1: President, Mary J. Robertson. Installing Officer, Mary E. Cole. Private.

J. W. ANDERSON No. 23, Cripple Creek, January 8: President, Stella A. Kyle. Installing Officer, Alice M. Seeds. Joint public with Post.

W. T. SHERMAN No. 24, Evans, January 5: President, Gertrude M. Flint. Installing Officer, L. A. Herriett. Joint with Post.

PFEIFFER No. 25, Fort Collins, January 15: President, Sime Simons. Installing Officer, W. C. Tomlins. Public.

G. H. THOMAS No. 26, Fort Collins, January 8: President, Leone McLain. Installing Officer, Olivia Mandeville. Joint with Post.

NATHANIEL LYON No. 27, Boulder, January 1: President, Mary E. Ulmer. Installing Officer, Virginia Feeny. Joint with Post.

ELLSWORTH No. 28, Central City, January 1: Pauline Ashbaugh. Installing Officer, Ettie V. Parenteau. Public.

JIM BOWIE No. 30, Creede, January 5: President, Lottie C. Darling. Installing Officer, Cornelia C. Lahr. Private.

A. J. SMITH No. 31, Florence: President, Anna Babbitt. Installing Officer, Fannie D. Hardin.

McPHERSON No. 32, Longmont, January 5: President, Mary A. Sebern. Installing Officer, Fannie D. Hardin. Public with Post.

RICHARDSON No. 33, Las Animas: President, Amanda C. Weil. Installing Officer, Public and joint with Post.

KILPATRICK No. 34, La Junta: President, Emma Brady. Installing Officer, Sadie Miller. Private.

MAJ. ANDERSON No. 35, Arvada, January 1: President, Clara W. Greene. Installing Officer, M. Campbell. Joint with Post.

AKRON No. 36, Akron: President, Ella A. Derby. Installing Officer, J. N. Stevens. Public. This Corps held the same officers as last year.

E. M. STANTON No. 37, Salida: President, Delia M. Buell. Installing Officer, Margaret C. Delo. Private.

PIKE'S PEAK No. 39, Manitou, January 19: President Kate L. Sahrbeck. Installing Officer, Mary Savage. Private.

M. M. CROCKER No. 40, Denver, January 4: President, Edna Perry. Installing Officer, Persis A. Arnold. Public and joint with Post.

GEO. WASHINGTON No. 42, Denver, January 3: President, Miriam B. Clark. Installing Officer, Jennie McGill. Public and joint with Post.

JOE HOOKER No. 43, Monte Vista, January 11: President, Belle M. Packard. Installing Officer, Effie V. B. Aldrich. Private.

JOHN C. FREMONT No. 45, Littleton, January 5: President, Jennie Chapman. Installing Officer, H. W. Hartzell. Joint with Post.

There have been four Corps organized in the Department during the past year, that have been reported to me:

ANDERSON No. 35, Arvada, was instituted June 5, 1897, with 13 Charter members. Fannie D. Hardin, Dept. Pres., Instituting and I. officer.

ELLSWORTH No. 28, Central City, was instituted Oct. 19, 1897, with 24 Charter members. Mary A. Eldridge, Dept. Instituting and I. officer.

A. J. SMITH No. 31, Florence was instituted Dec. 8, 1897, with 23 Charter members. Fannie D. Hardin, Ins. and I. officer. Anna E. Babbitt, Pres.

A. E. BURNSIDE No. 38, Loveland, was instituted Jan. 3, 1898, with 22 Charter members. Fannie D. Hardin, Instituting and Installing officer.

In conclusion I desire to extend my thanks to you, Mrs. President, for courtesies extended, and to Miss Hamilton, who has so kindly furnished all stray reports. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

MARY A. ELDRIDGE,

Department I. and I. Officer.

Committee on Greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R., consisting of Mrs. M. J. Fritz, Katie Patrick and Mrs. Zoe, were admitted and introduced to the convention by the Department President, Mrs. Fritz spoke as follows: "We, the Ladies of the G. A. R., bring loving Greetings. For your deeds in the past we congratulate you, for the future we tender our good wishes. There is much to be done by all our orders. Who knows how our country will fare in this present conflict? Those who have recently given the parting kiss to their loved ones and with a 'God Speed' and a mother's blessing sent them forth in defense of humanity, can best appreciate the sacred nearness of all and as one common family join hands and with our prayers, cheers and tears for preservation of their lives and a safe return to the bosoms of their families, with honor perched on their banners. Neither shall we forget the duty we owe to our God and the survivors of the late war, whose memories shall be as lasting as the Stars of Heaven." Mrs. Hardin, in pinning on the badges of our Order, thanked them for the courtesies extended and requested them to convey to their body the thanks of the Convention.

Moved, seconded and carried. Adjourn to meet at 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention was called to order at 1:30 P. M., with Mrs. Hardin in the chair. Mrs. Annie Hurst and Alvira J. Caldwell were appointed Conductors. The Lord's Prayer was repeated, followed by singing the Opening Ode. The Credential Committee reported 94 members present.

Respectfully submitted, PERSIS A. ARNOLD, Chairman.

Mrs. Edna A. Perry reported having visited the Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Annie Babbitt in behalf of the committee presented to the Department and National Presidents, badges of that order.

Report of the committee on the Department Inspector's Report read as follows:—

Your Committee on Department Inspector's Report find that the work has been performed with great ability, economy and kindness and we recommend that the report be accepted. Resp'y submitted in E.C. and L. MRS. RUTH R. DUPUE.

MRS. RUTH R. DUPUE.
MRS. MARY E. NEELEY.
MRS. KATE MCCARTHY, Com.

Report of Dept. President W. R. C. to Dept. Commander G. A. R.

Gen. U. S. Hollister, Dept. Commander G. A. R.

DEAR SIR AND COMMANDER : Another year has passed away and we have come to our annual Convention, come to render an account of the work accomplished by the Woman's Relief Corps during the year just ending. We therefore take great pleasure in submitting to you, and through you to the Grand Army of the Republic, whose Auxiliary we are proud to be, the following report :

Balance in General Fund of Corps	\$1,075
Relief Fund of Corps	0

I wish to express my thanks to you and the Grand Army for all the courtesies extended to the Order that I have the honor to represent, not only since I was elected, but since its inception. We appreciate the motive that prompted its organization and do hereby pledge that in the future as in the past, the W. R. C. will ever be ready to respond to any call you may make upon us. We hope in return to receive at your hands the same kindly, fraternal feeling that you have always accorded us.

While we may branch out and do what we can for the soldiers and their families in the present war, remember that to the Woman's Relief Corps there can be but one Grand Army of the Republic.

Respectfully submitted in P. C. and L.

FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Department President W. R. C.

The Chairman of Committee on Department Junior Vice President's Report read as follows:—

Mrs. President and Members of this Convention

The Committee selected to act upon the Junior Vice President's Report have carefully gone through and approve the same. Respectfully submitted in P. C. and L.

HESTER W. HARTZELL

SARAH E. RUSSELL,

LUCINDA L. SMITH, Committee

Moved by Alice T. Smith Corps No. 23, seconded by Delia F. Buell Corps No. 37: "Adopt report as read." Carried.

Report of Committee on Senior Vice President's Report read:—

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Fourteenth Department Convention.

We, the members of your Committee on Report of Senior Vice President, having carefully read the report, can commend it to your approval, finding it very complete; and we feel that we especially desire to commend her for the arduous work she has performed in planning and executing, with the aid of her Corps, this Convention, which has not been excelled in courtesies to this Department by any other city. We can say in truth that "Well done" is a reward that is justly due one who is early and late an ardent worker for our Order.

ELLA C. DWINEH,

STELLA NEWMAN,

BESSIE S. WILCOX, Committee.

Moved by Mina Stockett, seconded by Ella G. Murden, "that the report of the Committee be adopted as read." Carried.

Report of Chief Aide, Ella Walsh, Fort Collins, who was unable to be present, was read by the Department Secretary and referred to committee.

Report of Chief Aide.

Fort Collins, Colo., June 1st 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y., W. R. C.

MADAM:—I have deferred making my report until the last moment in the hope that I would hear from the rest of the Corps, but as I can wait no longer, I take pleasure in submitting the following:

UPTON No. 2 reports good working order, not having dropped or lost any members this year. Taken in two members and made 25 visits.

T. H. DODD No. 5 reports prosperous condition. Taken in four new members, dropped one, two have returned their badges. Have a few delinquents. Visited four other Corps.

GEO. G. MEADE No. 6 reports 78 members in good standing. Lost two by death and four by transfer. Much interest taken in the new work as well as doing a good deal of Relief work.

VETERAN No. 14 reports 58 members in good standing. Eight suspended, one dropped and three reinstated this quarter. Pleasant relations between Post and Corps. All members interested in the work.

WINFIELD SCOTT No. 19 reports getting along all right at present. Have been much discouraged.

CUSTER No. 20 reports membership 46. Raised \$175 by giving an entertainment. Spent this amount in furnishing Lodge Room: is free from debt and in a very prosperous condition. Taken in six new members. Time for meeting, first and third Monday nights in each month.

J. W. ANDERSON No. 23 reports a very flourishing condition. Taking in new members almost every meeting.

PFEIFFER No. 25 reports 16 members in good standing. Lost two by transfer and two by honorable discharge. Subscribed for a magazine for the Soldier's Home and presented the Post with a bunting flag. \$83.84 in the treasury.

GEO. H. THOMAS No. 26, a flourishing financial condition. Five hundred and thirty-five dollars (\$535) in the treasury. Thirty-five members in good standing at last report. Two members have moved away and two others will return their badges.

NATHANIEL LYON No. 27 reports 84 members in good standing, only three delinquents. Will aid the Post in observing Memorial Day.

ELLSWORTH No. 28 reports seventy members in good standing. The Corps is in first class financial shape, with all members solicitous for its welfare. Have responded to the call of National President for an emergency fund.

JIM BOWIE No. 30 reports twelve new members the past year. Three delinquents have been reinstated. Subscribed five dollars for the Home for Wives, Mothers and Nurses and gave the Andersonville Prison Fund one dollar and thirty cents.

E. M. STANTON No. 37 reports a very flourishing condition in every way. The present officers are efficient and united in the work.

A. E. BURNSIDE No. 38 reports a gain of three members since they organized Jan'y 3. Have introduced the flag salute in the public schools, and are doing good work for the Post: is a first-class Corps in every respect and trying to be faithful, up-to-date workers.

PIKE'S PEAK No. 39 reports twenty-three members in good standing. Perfect harmony among members and the Post and Corps work well together. Two delinquents brought back, and made several visits to the Colorado Springs Corps.

M. M. CROCKER No. 40 reports forty four members in good standing. Three lost by honorable discharge, three dropped. Six new members. Officers and committees doing excellent work. Ladies all congenial and Corps in a flourishing condition.

I sincerely thank the Aides who responded to my Circular Letter so promptly, for their kind wishes and will be pleased to hear from them all again. Also you, Mrs. President, for the honor of my appointment as Senior Aide on your Staff. I appreciate the honor you conferred, as well as your courteous kindness. You have indeed proved yourself a wise counselor and kind friend. Respectfully in F., C. and L.,

ELLA WALSH,
Senior Aide and Chief of Staff, W. R. C.



URIAH S. HOLLISTER
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER. G. A. R.

Report of Delegate at Large, Mina G. Rische, was read by Mary U. Calvert, and referred to committee :

Report of Delegate at Large.

Office of DELEGATE AT LARGE, COLO. and WYO. W. R. C.,

Denver, Colorado, June 1, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Department Secretary.

In accordance with the rules of our Order, I submit the following report of the entertainment and proceedings of the Fifteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, held at Buffalo, New York, August 26th to 28th, 1897.

The official train on the B. & M. left Denver on Friday evening, August 19th, and a majority of the delegates with the Department President joined the members of the G. A. R. on that train. Many pleasant incidents occurred on the way which will never be forgotten. Several hours were spent in Chicago on Sunday, and we arrived at Buffalo Monday morning about 10 o'clock, very tired. We had very little time for rest, however, for there was one continuous round of pleasures from that time on. Colorado Headquarters were very pleasantly located at Ellicott Square, within two blocks of the National Headquarters at Iroquois Hotel, where our party was stopping. Delightful weather was experienced during the whole week, and we could not but say that Buffalo was a beautiful city and an ideal place for a convention. Camp Jewett, where the Grand Army was encamped, was a beautiful park on the edge of Lake Erie, on a high stretch of land next to Fort Porter, where the United States regulars are stationed. We ought to be very proud of our Cook's Drum Corps. They escorted the Commander-in-Chief, General Clarkson, upon his arrival, to the National Headquarters, and were given right of way at the head of the procession in the Grand Parade. They played at all the receptions at the Iroquois Hotel and Tift House, and the people looked in wonder when they played that favorite of theirs, "Battle of Gettysburg."

On Monday evening a grand reception was tendered to General Clarkson at Music Hall. There was also a parade of over 20,000 citizens of Buffalo to welcome the G. A. R. All the great arches on Main Street were lit up with thousands of electric lights, red, white and blue, and myriads of colored lights and flags decked the buildings and streets.

Tuesday afternoon the ladies' Citizens Committee gave an excursion on Lake Erie on the boat, City of Buffalo, to all the delegates and friends, which was greatly enjoyed by all who participated. In the evening were several receptions at the different hotels and Music Hall.

Wednesday was the Grand Parade, at which over 50,000 soldiers marched to the old familiar music of thirty-five years ago. It was six hours in passing a given point. It was our pleasure and good fortune to have seats on the reviewing stand reserved for the representatives of the W. R. C. directly opposite to the grand stand where the Commander-in-Chief and his staff, and the President of the United States, Major McKinley, were stationed. It was a source of supreme satisfac-

tion to watch the chief magistrate of this great nation paying suitable acknowledgements to the nation's defenders. As the soldiers representing the several states came along with banners tattered and torn, his greetings were courteous and fraternal, and at times, as for instance when the three crippled soldiers rode by with only three legs and three arms among the number, the emotion of the President was plainly visible, but when that soldier came up with only head, arms and trunk left, the President stooping down took his old comrade by the hand and spoke to him softly, and we doubt not that he was made to feel that the President of this great Republic felt it an honor to grasp him by the hand, for when he assumed his station, we saw him dry the falling tears. Oh, what a day it was, what sights we saw, and we were carried back to the days of the war when the troops came marching home. The color bearer of Veteran Post No. 42 of this Department, carried the colors of this Department. He has since answered the last roll call.

The Convention opened on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at Music Hall, with the National President, Mrs. Hitt, in the chair. Prayer was said by the National Chaplain. The credential committee commenced their work, and the other committees were appointed by the President. The day was largely taken up by the reception of guests, the first to be admitted being the Ladies' Citizen's Committee, who presented the National President with beautiful baskets of flowers and gave a cordial welcome to the City of Buffalo. After they had retired, the President presented all the National Officers and seven Past National Presidents to the convention. The President then read her address, which contained several recommendations for the consideration of this body tending to the benefit of the Order. The Secretary's report showed that there were 3,059 Corps and 140,000 members in the Order. All other reports were submitted without reading and referred to the proper committees. Special greetings were sent to the absent Past National Presidents. Luncheon was served by the ladies' committee at noon, and convention convened again at 1:40 in the afternoon.

Mrs. Elizabeth Turner, chairman of the Andersonville Prison Board, read a very interesting report, stating that she had received the day before a deed to the property, they having bought the remaining fourteen and one-half acres of land. She also reported that the five-cent contribution from the W. R. C. had resulted in the sum of three thousand dollars for Andersonville. Mrs. Flo Miller, chairman of the committee on Patriotic Teaching, made a report which was enthusiastically received. Among the delegations received during the afternoon were committees from the Army Nurses, the Daughters of Veterans, The Citizen's Committee of Cincinnati, urging them to accept the invitation to hold the next Encampment in Cincinnati; also a delegation consisting of the Department Commander of Indiana with forty members of that Department. They presented the National President with a breastpin consisting of 118 perfect pearls surrounding one large clear diamond.

Mrs. Scott of Missouri, one of a delegation of colored ladies, members of the W. R. C., presented the National President with three clus-

ters of flowers, one red, one white and one blue, which she said typified the red blood, the fidelity and purity of devotion to Old Glory of the colored Veterans, their wives, sisters and mothers, after which she sang "Let It Wave." Her remarks were appropriate and elegant. At 5 o'clock, Memorial services in honor of the deceased members, Past National President Sarah C. Mink, and Marie Hasenwinkle, National Senior Vice President. Colonel Mink and Mr. Hasenwinkle and daughter were escorted to the platform. A beautiful tribute was paid to the memory of Mrs. Mink by Ellen M. Putnam, and to Mrs. Hasenwinkle by Kate B. Sherwood.

The new ritual was exemplified on Thursday evening at 4 o'clock by America Corps of Chicago. Friday morning convention opened at 9:20, the National President in the chair. The credential committee reported number present entitled to vote, 379. The first order of business was election of officers. Mrs. Sarah Martin of Missouri was elected National President. The name of our Department President was presented for the office of Member of the Executive Board, and the delegation from this Department and many others loyally supported her, and we all regret that she was not elected. Let us hope, however, that there are other honors in store for her and this Department. We believe that there are many loyal members of our honorable Order in Colorado who might be selected for national positions, who by their fitness, experience and qualifications would reflect credit upon any office they might be elected to in the National Conventions. Action was taken on the recommendations of National President in her address, and on the several resolutions offered, and reports were received by the committees on officers' reports. One resolution in relation to admitting members of the G. A. R. as associate members of the W. R. C. was lost.

The committee appointed at last National Convention to report on the status of the Alternate at Large, made their report. Several hours were spent in discussion on Friday before any action was taken, and finally the report of the committee was adopted as follows:

"That the Alternate at Large is entitled to a seat in National Convention only in the absence of the Delegate at Large.

"Should a vacancy occur in both these places, the same shall be filled by Department Council.

"If the vacancy occurs too late to be filled by the Department Council, the first delegate present performs the duty of Delegate at Large."

During the day several delegations were received. A committee from the G. A. R. consisting of Department Commander Dodge of Indiana, Comrade Mack of Ohio, Past Commander Cleary of New York, and Comrade Evans of Massachusetts. After each one had made remarks, our Department President, Mrs. Hardin, asked permission of the convention to pin a Colorado badge on each one of the committee, as it was through their efforts that it was made possible for the organization to exist, and they had gone to Denver in 1883 to help organize the National organization of the Woman's Relief Corps. One of the pleasing features of the afternoon was the flag salute given by

thirteen little girls dressed in white with red and blue sashes, directed by Captain Foster, a deaf veteran. He carried a beautiful silk flag made by the school children of New York, all of its stars being exquisitely embroidered. After the salute, they sang "America" and the "Star Spangled Banner."

The retiring National Commander-in-Chief, General Clarkson, and the newly elected Commander-in-Chief, General Gobin of Pennsylvania, were introduced and escorted to the platform. They pledged their fealty to the Woman's Relief Corps; that the G. A. R. intended always to cherish, love and protect the W. R. C., and did not propose to give them any cause or grounds for a divorce, nor did the organization intend to commit bigamy.

The session on Friday lasted until 11:30 o'clock. Convention convened on Saturday, and spent part of the day in making the final reports and passing upon resolutions. The recommendation of the National President adopting the new ritual was carried by a rising vote. A resolution was also passed to the effect that members transferring from one Department to another may retain their honors and have a vote in the Department in which they hold their membership.

The newly elected officers were installed, and the Fifteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps passed into history. The opening of the session was marked by affectionate and fraternal greetings. It was harmonious and pleasant to the end, and the parting came all too soon. It seemed as if we had hardly concluded our greetings when we were called upon to make our adieus. In many instances words failed, and we remembered the old lines familiar to all:

"Adieu! Adieu! is a lonely word,
And oftentimes brings a tear;
But the heart feels most when the lips move not,
And the eyes speak a gentle good-bye."

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

MINA RISCHE,
Alternate at Large.

Chairman of Committee on Department Counselor's Report read their report:

Mrs. President and Members of this Convention:

Your committee appointed to consider Report of the Department Counselor beg leave to submit the following: Your committee has carefully read the Report and hereby approve the same. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

IDA CRITCHELL,
LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
MINNIE G. KINGSTON, Committee.

Moved by Annie E. Babbitt, seconded by Loretta Mummah, "report be adopted as read." Carried.

Report of Chairman on Secretary's Report read:

Mrs. President and Members of the Fourteenth Department Convention:

Your committee has carefully examined the Report of the Secretary and most heartily recommend its adoption, and compliment her for the efficient manner in which she has performed her duties. The clear and concise manner of her report bears testimony to the faithfulness of the Officer, and merits the approval of this Convention. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
THIELE WEIDERHOLD,
HATTIE E. CULVER, Committee.

Moved by Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Emma D. Adams, "To adopt report as read." Carried.



Chairman of Committee on Treasurer's Report read report :

We, the committee upon the Treasurer's Report, have carefully examined the same and we feel we cannot too highly appreciate her careful and systematic work. We find it correct in every detail, and feel our Department treasurer has the welfare of this Order ever at heart. We heartily endorse the recommendations as given and would move their adoption.

SADIE M. HISHUP,
ANGIE C. GROVE,
MATHIE L. HOTCHKISS, Committee.

Recommendations were taken up separately. Moved by Annie E. Babbitt, seconded by Amanda E. Weil, "The adoption of Recommendation No. 1." Carried. Moved by Alice M. Seeds, seconded by Minnie G. Kingsford, "Recommendation No. 2 be adopted." Carried. Moved by Stella Newman, seconded by Libbie K. Daniels, "The committees' report on the Treasurer's Report be adopted as a whole." Carried.

Business was suspended to admit Committee of Greetings from the Ladies Aid Society. The committee consisted of Miss Maud Manning, Olive E. Kibby and Pauline Hall. Miss Manning said: "Officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, as members of the Ladies Aid Society of Sons of Veterans, we wish to extend and hope you will accept our greetings and best wishes for your Order and Convention. May all your meetings be harmonious and may all your efforts be crowned with success, and again wishing you a most successful and happy meeting with love and kindest regards for you all, we are yours most fraternally, the Ladies Aid Society." Mrs. Hardin in a few well chosen words thanked them for their words of encouragement.

Chairman of committee on Department Relief Report read report :

Mrs. President: Your committee on the Department Relief Committee's Report would submit the following: We consider the Report a clear and correct statement of the work done. We think they have made a judicious expenditure of the funds, therefore we recommend the adoption of the Report. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

EMMA JOHNSON,
ETTA BYERS,
ORVILLE WANDERLIE, Com.

Moved by Nancy L. Cowell, seconded by Hester W. Hartzell, "Adopt report as read." Carried.

The Chairman of committee on Delegate at Large Report read :

To the President and Members of the Fourteenth Annual Convention, W. R. C. :

We, your Committee take pleasure in recommending the adoption of the Report of the Delegate at Large and wish to compliment her on the concise and yet brief manner in which the same is presented, showing that there was nothing of any interest omitted, but everything that was beneficial to the Order had been carefully noted.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA HUGHES,
AMANDA E. WEIL,
MATHIE L. OTIS, Committee.

Moved by Emma Johnson, seconded by Minnie G. Kingsford, "That the report of the committee be adopted." Carried.

In the absence of Mrs. Josephine A. Cheeseman, Press Correspondent, the Assistant Secretary read her report, which was referred to committee:

Report of Press Correspondent.

Greeley, Colorado, June 1, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Sec'y, Dept. Colo. and Wyo., W. R. C.

It is with pleasure that we extend the hand clasp of Fraternity to old associates and new members, adding a memory, and a regret for those who, since our last assembling, have passed to the great beyond.

Success and unanimity have crowned the efforts of our tireless President, and her helpers during the past year--

"Welding all the cords that tie
The hidden soul of Loyalty."

Progress is perceptible along the lines of Patriotic teaching, and observance of the Nation's Memory Day, but much is yet required for the realization of ideals. The marked improvement and promptness in the manner in which corps correspondents have forwarded interesting matter, is a source of congratulation. Thanks are hereby extended one and all.

Veteran No. 14 of Denver, and Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, of Boulder, deserve special mention for facility in this work. So various are the duties required of most Corps scribes, that they may be likened to the tent which the fairy Paribanou gave to Prince Ahmed--seemingly it was a lady's fan, but on occasion it could be made to accommodate a battalion of the Sultan's army. Tracers of the quill persevere, and a share of the Pierian roses shall be yours. One hundred and eighteen letters have been received, and one hundred and five written.

It is said that each generation lights its lamp from the dying taper of the one gone before. Thus have the soldier boys of '98, kindled their camp fires, from the waning embers of the veterans of '61. May victory and a safe return be their reward. Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Chairman Press Committee.

Telegram of congratulations from Department of Ohio to Convention was read.

Chairman of committee on I. and I. Officer's Report read as follows:

Mrs. President:--Your committee on the I. and I. Officer's Report find it correct, and congratulate the Officer on the efficiency of her work.

E. A. PERRY,
LORETTA MUMMAH,
NANCY L. COWELL, Com.

Moved by Ida Critchell, seconded by Lucy Dresser, "Report be adopted as read." Carried.

Report of committee on Chief Aide's Report was read:

Mrs. President and Members of the Fourteenth Dept. Convention:

We, your Committee on the Report of the Chief Aide, Mrs. Ella Walsh, find this Report correct and as complete as the various Corps gave opportunity, and we heartily recommend its adoption. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ADDA ULEN,
MALANIA LOWTHER,
FRANK RICE, Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Mummah, seconded by Sarah Williams, "Report be adopted." Carried.

Mrs. Ella L. C. Dwinell, Dept. Counselor, then in behalf of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming presented to Mrs. Hardin a beautiful jewelled badge of our Order, saying: "Mrs. President: As I have been selected the one to convey to you the approval of this Department for your work in the past year, I desire your attention for a moment. In the olden days those who had performed their duty in military organizations, received as a part of their reward decorations as victors. These later days the women have taken up a work that has met the approval of one of the grandest organizations the world has ever known. Yearly, as we come to these con-

ventions to hear the reports of the work accomplished for these men who laid bare their breasts to cement this grand Union, (and how well their lives and sufferings have accomplished it has ever been demonstrated since April 22d, as the sons of the North and South march side by side in the war for Progress, Freedom and Humanity,) feeling that the Woman's Relief Corps has been among the first to instil patriotism and keep it ever fresh in the minds of the coming generation, we feel that you, Mrs. President, are one of us who has through many hours of faithful work helped us to win this victory. Allow me to give you this decoration of our approval. Wear it and remember that it is only a testimonial of the affection we desire to express to you at the close of your official year."

Mrs. Hardin said in part: "Mrs. Dwinell and members of the Convention, my heart is simply too full for utterance. Words fail to express my appreciation of the kind words Mrs. Dwinell has just said to me, but I thank you for this beautiful jewelled badge of our Order, not for its intrinsic value, but for the sentiment it conveys, and assure you that I will wear it with pride as did the warrior of old; that it will ever be a reminder to me of the duty I owe the Order that I have the honor to represent, and I hope, Mrs. Counselor, to prove by my deeds in the future that I merit the encomiums you have given me, and now allow me to thank you and through you the members of the Woman's Relief Corps in this Department for this token of your appreciation of my feeble effort to serve you the past year."

Committee on Department President's Address announced themselves as being ready to report. The Senior Vice President was called to the Chair, and the following report was read:

To the Officers and Members of the Convention:

Your committee to whom was submitted the Address of the Department President most respectfully report: We appreciate the fact that her best thought has been put into the work of the year. We commend her unquestioned zeal everywhere manifested, her promptness and the fidelity with which she has discharged the responsible duties entrusted to her. Her care for the personal interests of the Soldier's Home of Colorado and of Wyoming is worthy of emulation. We are glad so large a measure of success has been meted out to her as part compensation for her arduous labors. We are also pleased to note the cordial relations which have existed between her administration and other patriotic societies having a common purpose with our own.

Recommendation No. 1 approved. Recommendation No. 2 approved with the suggestion that the matter be referred to the Department Encampment, G. A. R. Recommendation No. 3 not approved. Recommendation No. 4: While we heartily approve of the spirit, we suggest that this matter be left to the incoming administration. Recommendation No. 5 approved.

MARY L. CARR,
MARY JEWETT TELFORD,
CLARA RAPP, Committee.

Moved by Mary J. Telford, seconded by Olive M. Bacon, "That the Recommendations be taken up *seriatim*." Carried.

Recommendation No. 1. Moved by Alice T. Smith, seconded by Alice Ditson, "Adopt report of committee." Carried.

Recommendation No. 2 read. After Mrs. Weil of Las Animas made a statement relative to the removal of the remains of the soldiers who were buried at old Fort Lyon, Mrs. Hardin asked the privilege of eliminating Recommendation No. 2, which was granted.

Recommendation No. 3 read. Moved by Mary E. Ullmer, seconded by Ella M. Byers, "That recommendation of President be adopted." Carried.

Recommendation No. 4 read. Moved by Olive M. Bacon, seconded by Eile E. Tripp, "Adopt the report of committee." Carried.

Recommendation No. 5 read. Approved by the committee provided the method remain a National law. Moved by Amanda E. Weil, seconded by Emma Martin, "Report of committee be adopted." Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Williams, "Report of committee be adopted as amended." Carried.

President again resumes the Chair. Chairman of committee on Press Correspondent's Report read report :

We, the committee on the Press Correspondent's Report, submit the following :
We find the Report concise, yet interesting, showing that great interest was taken by the Chairman in the work assigned her, and recommend its adoption. The Recommendation has been disposed of in the President's Address.

JENNIE DUNNINGTON,
EMMA D. ADAMS,
MARY R. ELLIS, Committee.

Moved by Minnie E. Kingsford, seconded by Persis A. Arnold, "Part report be adopted as read." Carried.

6 Mrs. Telford, Chairman "Good of the Order" Committee, read her Report :

Suggestive, "Good of the Order."

Informal Report of the Department Convention.

Extracts from Ween's Life of Washington. (Three meetings in year.)

Civil Laws of Colorado. (Three meetings.)

(Reported on by a committee and discussed.)

Essay and Discussion: "Patriotism False and True."

Business Drill. Duties of Officers. (Besides those named in ritual.)

Business Drill. Committee Work. (From Robert's Rules.)

Parliamentary Lesson and Drill each Month.

- (a) Routine Work.
- (b) Privileged Questions.
- (c) Order of Business.
- (d) Amendments.
- (e) Questions requiring unanimous vote.
- (f) Questions requiring two-thirds vote.
- (g) Reconsideration.
- (h) Measures putting off action.
- (i) The previous question.
- (j) Mock Convention.

Sketch of Clara Barton.

Short History of Organization of W. R. C.

Unpublished Stories of the Early Sixties. (Written or told.)

Lincoln's Speech at Gettysburg.

Paper on War Songs: North and South.

Readings from Louisa Alcott's "Hospital Sketches."

Taking the Obligation by the entire Corps.

Study of the Hero for whom the Post or Corps are named. (Or other Union Leader.)

Readings from Hosea Bigelow Papers.

Reading from Samantha Allen's "Sweet Cicely." "The Goddess of Liberty."

Choose sides to answer twenty questions about Department Work.

Choose sides to answer twenty questions about National Work.

Respectfully submitted, MARY JEWETT TELFORD,
Chairman Committee.

Moved by Alice M. Seeds, seconded by Emma Slater, "That discussion of this report be left until to-morrow morning." Carried. Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by many, "Adjourn until 9 a. m. June 16th, 1898." Carried.

MORNING SESSION.

June 16th, 1898.

Morning session called to order by the Department President. Prayer led by Olive M. Bacon, Past Dept. Chaplain, followed by singing the Opening Ode. Mrs. Sarah Shields Corps No. 31, and Amanda E. Weil appointed conductors.

Mrs. Sarah J. Martin, National President, in a few remarks expressed her gratification in being able to be present during the Convention, and was glad that the spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty seemed to prevail and that of all the conventions it had been her pleasure to attend this one had been the most harmonious.

The minutes of the morning and afternoon sessions of June 15th were read and approved. Mary L. Carr, Chairman of committee appointed by the Department President to edit so-called By Laws, read her report, (which will be found as per Index.)

Moved by Mary J. Telford, seconded by Delia F. Buell, "That Resolution No. 3 adopted by the Tenth Annual Convention be changed to read 'That it is not permissible for Corps to have entertainments on Memorial Day for money-making purposes.'" Carried. Moved by Mrs. Bacon, seconded by Mrs. Perry, "That report of committee be adopted." Carried.

Mrs. Ella Dwinell read the following in memory of Christine Thornton, Past Department Chaplain:

WHEREAS, The sad news reaches us to-day that Christine Thornton, a Past Department Chaplain of Colorado and Wyoming, and a Past President of Pike's Peak Corps No. 300, Winton, passed to the rest prepared for the faithful one of earth, June 14th, 1898, and as many of us have knowledge of her work for our Order, and her exemplary Christian character, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Convention now assembled at the hour of her burial, extend to her bereaved husband, a member of the G. A. R., and the family of sons and daughters their heartfelt sympathy. Asking our Heavenly Father to extend his grace and blessing to them in this hour of sorrow, and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to her Corps our fraternal sympathy in the loss they have sustained.

Resolved, That these Resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this Convention, and a copy sent to the bereaved family of our Sister.

MARIA LOWTHER, Winton.
ELLA E. DWINELL, Colo. Springs.
MRS. M. SHIELDS, Cripple Creek.

Moved by Mrs. Dwinell, seconded by Mrs. Telford, "That these Resolutions be adopted as read." Carried.

The Secretary read telegram from Michigan W. R. C., also letter of Greeting from Kansas W. R. C. The Department President announced that the next order of business was the Election of Officers for the ensuing year, and appointed Isa E. Crosby, Adda Ulen and Fannie B. Whip tellers. Roll call followed and eighty nine (89) voting members were present.

Nominations for President: Isa E. Crosby of Boulder nominated Alice M. Seeds of Cripple Creek, seconded by Jas. W. Anderson Corps, Nancy L. Cowell of Geo. G. Meade, Irene D. Toliver, Colorado Springs and

others. Mrs. Mary J. Telford placed in nomination Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell of Denver, seconded by delegations from Farragut, Emma Hobart of Geo. G. Meade, Olive C. Butler, Edna A. Perry and others. Nominations declared closed. Tellers retired. During the absence of the tellers, the Report of the Patriotic Instructor, Sarah W. Pease, was read by the Secretary:

Report of Patriotic Instructor.

Laramie, May 31, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y W. R. C.

Madam:—I have the honor to submit to you the following report on Patriotic Teaching:

Report blanks were sent by me to the Chairman of each committee on Patriotic Teaching in the Department, with the request that each one be filled out and be returned to me, to be used in the making of this report. Twenty (20) Corps have failed to respond as yet, which fact causes this report to be very incomplete and unsatisfactory, which is greatly to be regretted.

Following is a brief summary of the work of the various committees on Patriotic Teaching in the Department:

Farragut No. 1. Reports work thorough in District No. 2, Denver. Flags hoisted during school hours. Patriotism taught in all the schools. Chart of Declaration of Independence displayed in higher grades. Sixteen schools in District No. 2.

Upton No. 2. Reports membership of Corps 33. Twenty-one public schools in Pueblo. All the schools hoist the flag during school hours. Eighty-five school rooms and flag salute given in all. In ten rooms Declaration of Independence Chart is displayed. Patriotism is taught in all the schools.

Sedgewick No. 3. A flag has been purchased by the Corps, to be presented to the school when it opens next September, when it is expected that the flag salute will be introduced into our schools.

Colorado Springs No. 4. Through the efforts of the Relief Corps, the eight school houses of Colorado Springs have a flag floating from the top of each building, and in some buildings as high as the sixth grade the work of Patriotism is taught in every grade. The singing of patriotic songs is unanimous.

T. H. Dodd No. 5. Committee recommends that more attention be given to the singing of patriotic songs in the schools.

George G. Meade No. 6. This Corps gives the flag salute. Presented the Broadway School with a handsome flag last May, with appropriate exercises. Corps attended in a body. Salute given in some of the schools in Denver. Flag displayed on schoolhouses on all holidays.

Jas. A. Garfield No. 8. No report.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9. Reports membership of 26. Flags at all schoolhouses. Patriotism taught in all public schools except High School. Flag salute given on some occasions. Fifteen rooms have flags in them.

General Shields No. 10. No report.

North Fork No. 11. No report.

Gunnison No. 12. No report.

Casper W. Collins No. 13. We hope to place flags in every school

room this year, and have the flag salute every day. As soon as possible, we will place a copy of the Declaration of Independence in each room.

Veteran No. 14. No report.

U. S. Grant No. 15. Every child in the public schools was requested to bring at least one flower for Memorial Day. A basket trimmed with the national colors was placed by the W. R. C. in each school room to receive the flowers.

Wadsworth No. 16. No report.

Grand Junction No. 17. Recommends careful study of history, with supplemental reading of current events, to forward the work of teaching patriotism.

R. A. Cameron No. 18. No flag salute given, and no flag raised except on special occasions.

Winfield Scott No. 19. No report.

Custer No. 20. Pupils of all the schools in the city render the flag salute, and much attention is given to the singing of patriotic songs.

Reno No. 21. Good work has been done during the year. Presented a beautiful flag to Swansen School, followed by patriotic exercises. Corps attended in a body several patriotic entertainments given by the schools. Work progressing nicely. Made thirty visits in the interest of Patriotic Instruction.

Mulligan No. 22. No report.

J. W. Anderson No. 23. Recommends the reading of Judson's "Young America" by school children, as a means of promoting patriotism.

W. T. Sherman No. 24. No report.

Pfeiffer No. 25. That no committee on Patriotic Teaching was appointed this year.

George H. Thomas No. 26. No report.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27. All school children, except a few Adventist children, daily give the flag salute in the public schools.

Elkworth No. 28. No report.

Jim Bowie No. 30. Reports that four school rooms have flags, but the flag salute is not given by the children.

A. J. Smith No. 31. Has no Committee on Patriotic Teaching.

McPherson No. 32. A simple text book on American Citizenship recommended by the committee, for the promotion of patriotism in our schools. Each of the thirteen rooms has a flag, and all the schools salute the flag.

Richardson No. 33. It is recommended in report that more time be given in the schools to Patriotic Teaching, and that teachers better prepare themselves for the work.

Major Anderson No. 35. Reports that the flag salute is not given, although patriotism is taught in some of the schools.

E. M. Stanton No. 37. All the schools in the city salute the flag.

A. E. Burnside No. 38. A flag in every school, and all the children give the salute.

Pike's Peak No. 39. No report.

M. M. C. C. No. 40. The Corps purchased patriotic music for the schools, which is being used. Patriotism is being taught in all the schools.

George Washington No. 42. Well advanced in all patriotic work, but

sickness and change in Chairman of the committee has delayed our work and report.

Joe Hooker No. 43. Reports seven school rooms in the town. All of them are supplied with flags, and in five of the rooms the flag salute is given.

J. C. Fremont No. 45. No report.

I will say further that in the promotion of this work I have personally made 150 visits to schools, and have personally urged its necessity to a large number of teachers. Each year, for the past six years, I have given Patriotic Teaching space in the programme of the County Teachers' Institutes conducted by me. As far as my observation and experience extends, it would seem that for the present, at least, no very great exertion needs to be made by any one in the line of Patriotic Teaching. The American-Spanish war is at present furnishing an object lesson that is being thoroughly learned by every pupil in our schools. This fact was amusingly illustrated here on Memorial Day. A patriotic programme was rendered in the evening, in which it was necessary to have some boys play the part of Spaniards, but in all the schools of the city not a boy could be found who would consent to take the part, and that number had to be dropped. All school children are thoroughly posted concerning the present war, even to the minutest details. Never were flags displayed in such profusion and the national colors are worn by everybody. Every school child wears some kind of a flag, as an emblem of his loyalty and devotion to the "best country the sun ever shone upon."

In conclusion, I desire to thank the Department President for the honor conferred upon me in appointing me Chairman of this committee. I desire also to express my grateful appreciation of valuable services rendered me in the work by Mrs. Sarah Gardiner, Mrs. Lida Fitch and Mrs. Hattie Houston. Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SARAH W. PEASE,

Chairman Com. Patriotic Teaching.

Since the reports of many of the Corps had not been received, it was moved, seconded and carried, "That all Corps whose reports were not in at that time be embodied in the Patriotic Instructor's report before the printing of the Journals for the year."

Tellers ready to report. Announced that 89 votes had been cast for Department President. Necessary to a choice, 45. Lucy M. Campbell received 58, Alice M. Seeds 31. Mrs. Campbell, having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared elected Department President.

Nominations for Senior Vice President: Adda Ulen of Laramie, Wyo., nominated Mrs. Minnie G. Kingsford of Rawlins, Wyo., seconded by Ella Wayne, M. A. Kinnear and others. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Ella Dwinell, second by Mrs. Neeley, "That the nominations close and the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Kingsford for Department Senior Vice President." Carried. The President declared the election of Mrs. Kingsford.

Nominations for Junior Vice President: Lottie K. Daniels nominated Annie E. Babbitt of Florence, seconded by Mrs. DeToliver. Clara Rapp nominated Arabella C. Johnson of Fort Morgan, seconded by Mary L. Carr, Amanda E. Weil. Nominations closed and tellers retired.

The report of the committee on Department Chaplain's report was read:

We, your committee appointed on the Department Chaplain's report, have carefully examined the same and recommend its adoption. Respectfully submitted in F. C. and F.

OLIVE M. BACON

LILE E. TRIPP

MARY E. ULLMER, Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Rice, seconded by Mrs. LeFever, "That the report be adopted." Carried. Moved by Alice Ditson, seconded by Malvina Lowther, "That Mrs. Telford's report which was tabled after first reading, be taken up." Carried. Upon request of a number of members who were absent the preceding day, Mrs. Telford read her report the second time. Moved by Mrs. Ullmer, seconded by Mrs. Ormsby, "That the report be adopted as read." Carried.

The tellers returned and reported Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson had received the majority of all votes cast, and was declared elected Junior Vice President.

Nominations for Treasurer: Mary L. Carr nominated Mrs. Clara Rapp, seconded by Farragut Corps, U. S. Grant and others. Moved and seconded, "That the nominations close and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Clara Rapp for Treasurer." Carried. President declared Mrs. Rapp elected.

Nominations for Department Chaplain: Mrs. Hartzell nominated Mrs. Charlotte Coe of Golden, seconded by Mrs. Tripp. Mrs. Kingstoft nominated Adda Ulen, seconded by Cripple Creek Corps and Colorado Springs.

Nominations closed. Upon motion, the nominations were reopened and the name of Mrs. Mary W. Warner was added. Tellers retired. While the tellers were in the ante room the minutes of the first three Department Council Meetings were read and approved. Tellers returned and announced that Mrs. Ulen had received a majority of all votes cast. President declared Mrs. Ulen elected Chaplain.

Ella L. C. Dwinell, Chairman of Committee on Courtesies, reported as follows:

The Fourteenth Department Convention Woman's Relief Corps will ever be memorable in the history of its annual gatherings as the Auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, because of the hospitality extended by the citizens and Corps of Cripple Creek through their several committees and as individuals. Department President Fannie D. Hudin and her Staff of Officers as well as the delegates have contributed to the pleasure and success of the Convention by their faithful attendance upon all business sessions and by their courtesy and kindness in the discharge of their duties. No convention can be of much value to all, when delegates forget their duties and desert themselves from their seats; it is very hard for the President to keep the interest of a Convention under such difficulties.

No words of ours could adequately express the pleasure we enjoyed at the most perfect work in the beautiful Masonic Temple, of Jas. W. Anderson Corps No. 21. Every representative of this Department should go back to her Corps determined to make her Corps the equal, as far as possible, of this band of loyal women. To the City of Cripple Creek to its Press, Electric Cars, Hotels and Boarding Houses we extend thanks for the comforts so amply provided for us. To the W. R. C. for their courtesies and to all who in any way made our stay so pleasant, we wish them to accept our warmest thanks. During our Convention there were four other Departments also in convention assembled, to which your committee sent and received greetings, namely, Ohio, Michigan, Iowa, and Washington. We received letters from Rhode Island and Kansas, also personal letters to the Department President from Augusta B. Henderson and Clementine G. Howatt, Past Department Presidents, all of which were acknowledged by your committee.

And to our National President, Sarah J. Martin, we wish to extend our thanks for her journey to us and the kindly words of cheer and the inspiration of her presence during the entire session of Convention, and assure her that she has made a kindly place for herself in the hearts of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,
OLIVE C. BUTLER,
DELIA F. BUTLER, Committee.

TELEGRAMS.

Fannie D. Hardin, Dept. Pres.—Return Greetings from loyal Michigan women in convention assembled.

LOUISA A. E. TURK, Dept. Pres. Michigan W. R. C.

Fraternal Greetings from Ohio Department in session assembled.

EMMA F. CRESSINGER, Dept. Pres.

Department of Iowa in convention assembled return Colorado's kindly Greetings.

COMMITTEE ON COURTESY.

Loving Greetings from Washington W. R. C. in session assembled.

FRANKIE E. BEDELL, Dept. Pres.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by many, "That the report be adopted." Carried. A motion to adjourn until 1 P. M. carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

June 16th. 1898.

Session called to order at 1 P. M. by Department President, who appointed Martha Evans, Corps No. 6, and Flora Cypher, Corps No. 1, Conductors. Roll call and pass word taken. Olive M. Bacon led in prayer. Minutes of morning session read and approved. Telegram from Iowa W. R. C. read. Reading of the minutes of the last Council meetings continued, with the exception of the report of the Chairman of the Executive Board.

Clara Rapp, committee of one appointed to procure literature for the Soldier's Home, submitted the following:

Denver, Colo., June 9, 1898.

Miss Edna E. Hamilton, Dept. Sec'y., W. R. C.

MADAM:—Having been appointed on committee to expend money donated by the Corps in this Department for the Soldiers' Homes at Monte Vista and Cheyenne, I submit the following report:

DEBIT.	Cash received from Corps.....	\$22 25
	Discount on Books and Periodicals.....	8 52
	Total.....	\$70 77
CREDIT.	Soldiers' Home, Colo.	
	Expended for 42 volumes of bound Books.....	\$44 37
	Periodicals.....	24 00
	Express on Books, (half-rate).....	90
	Soldiers' Home, Wyoming, Christian Herald.....	1 50
	Total.....	\$70 77

I have endeavored to expend this money to the best advantage. Whether I have succeeded a letter from Commander French will tell you. I corresponded with him in regard to the needs and wishes of the Comrades of the "Home," and he suggested good books and periodicals, as they were supplied with everything else. I also consulted the Department President, and after careful consideration made the above selection of books (42 volumes of the newest publications) and ten periodicals, one being a German paper. I gave much time and thought to the selection of books, and hope that you will be satisfied with my stewardship. The Corps sending money for the Wyoming Home wished it to be used to subscribe for the Christian Herald. When Corps specified their preference, I expended their donation in accordance with their wishes. I also sent

two beautiful books, entitled "Soldiers of the Civil War," to the Colorado Home. These books were donated by Mrs. Mann, widow of Major Mann, in memory of her husband. To the Wyoming Home I sent a long silk flag, 3 ft. 3 in. by 5 ft., also one of our W. R. C. stands. This was purchased by personal donations of the members of the six Denver Corps. I have still \$1.35 left to expend, and will subscribe for some periodical for the Wyoming Home, if it meets with the approval of the donors.

This work has been one of the most pleasant of the year, and I thank the Department President for appointing me on that committee, as my heart and hands are every ready to do something to make life pleasant to our old Comrades. And, dear sisters, let us do all we can to brighten their existence, as the time is rapidly approaching when the last Comrade shall have answered the roll call. Yours in P., C. and L.

CLARA RAPP, Committee.

The following Corps donated to the above fund:

Sedgwick No. 3 Durango, Colorado Springs No. 4 Colo. Springs, James A. Garfield No. 8 Leadville, Gunnison No. 12 Gunnison, Veteran No. 14 Denver, Grand Junction No. 17 Grand Junction, Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen, W. T. Sherman No. 21 Evans, Nathaniel Lyon No. 27 Boulder, Battle Mountain No. 29 Red Cliff, M. W. Crocker No. 40 Denver, Phil Sheridan No. 41 Buena Vista, George Washington No. 42 Denver.—Total \$60.75.

Moved by Mrs. Daniels, seconded by Mrs. Martin, "That the report of committee be adopted." Carried. Mrs. Hardin called the Department Secretary and Treasurer to her side and presented them with small tokens of her appreciation. To the Secretary, a beautiful jewelled stick pin; to the Treasurer, a hand satchel, to replace the old one worn out in carrying the funds of the Department, heartily thanking them for their services during the past year.

Angie C. Grove, Chairman Legislative Committee, submitted the following resolutions:

To the Fourteenth Department Convention, W. R. C.:

Resolved, That we, your committee appointed by the Department President, are in hearty sympathy with the Grand Army in their endeavor to have the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home removed from Monte Vista, Colo., to Golden, Colo., and pledge our loyal support.

Resolved, That a committee of nine be appointed by the incoming President, to work with the committee of the Grand Army to secure such legislation.

ANGIE C. GROVE,
MIRIAM B. CLARK,
MINNIE L. BENSON, Com.

Moved by Olive C. Butler, seconded by Emma Martin, "Resolutions be adopted." Carried.

Mrs. Rapp, in personal recognition of many kindnesses, presented Mrs. Hardin with a Past Department President's badge, saying: "I know that you will treasure the golden testimonial too much to wear it only upon stated occasions, and this one can be worn at all times." Mrs. Hardin thanked her and said she would always wear it and consider it her choicest privilege.

The report of the Chairman of the Executive Board was then read. Moved by Alice M. Seeds, seconded by Malania Lowther, "That the minutes of the last Council meetings, including this report, be approved." Carried.

Chairman of committee on Patriotic Instructor's report, read as follows:

Mrs. President, Officers and Members of the Fourteenth Annual Convention, W. R. C.
Your committee have examined the Report of Mrs. Pease, Patriotic Instructor, and
would respectfully recommend its adoption.

ELLA WAYNE,
LIZZIE JOHNSTON,
LIZZIE YULE, Committee

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, "Report of committee be adopted." Carried.

President appointed as committee on Testimonial for next year Minnie E. Kingsford and Arabella C. Johnson, Department Senior and Junior Vice Presidents.

Business was suspended and a committee from the G. A. R. was admitted, who extended an invitation to the newly elected officers to install with them in the evening at the Grand Opera House, also to attend a grand ball to be given by the Sons of Veterans. Both invitations were accepted. Committee retired.

The exemplification of the Ritual by James W. Anderson Corps No. 23 of Cripple Creek was one of the most delightful features of the Convention, and the National President, Sarah J. Martin, paid them a high compliment in saying that it was the finest floor work she had ever seen, and it had been her pleasure to visit many Departments.

Election of Officers continued. Tellers, Emma D. Adams, Adda Ulen, Fannie B. Whip.

Nominations for Executive Board Chairman: Mrs. Perry placed in nomination the name of Angie C. Grove of Denver, seconded by Emma Johnson. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Ruth De Pue, seconded by Esther Randolph, "That nominations close and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention." Carried. Secretary cast the vote and she was declared elected Chairman of Executive Board.

Second member: Mrs. Carr nominated Mary E. Ullmer of Boulder. Mrs. Kyle nominated Nancy L. Cowell of Denver. Ballots collected and tellers retired. Tellers returned and reported that Mrs. Ullmer had received a majority of all votes cast. President declared Mrs. Ullmer elected second member of the Executive Board.

Third member: Mrs. Stockett nominated Annie E. Babbitt of Florence. Mrs. Hartzell nominated Mary E. Neeley of Denver. Mrs. Rapp nominated Mrs. Lydia Ellison of Colorado Springs. Nominations declared closed and tellers retired.

Mary L. Carr, Chairman of committee on Resolutions, offered the following:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Convention be rendered to Jas. W. Anderson Corps of Cripple Creek for the beautiful exemplification of the new Ritual work as adopted by the National convention.

Resolved, That the members of the Fourteenth Annual convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming unanimously endorse the new Ritual work that was adopted by the last National convention.

Moved by Mrs. Bacon, seconded by Mrs. Newman, "Adopt report of committee." Carried. Moved by Mrs. Dwinell, seconded by many, "That to follow a custom of former years the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) be paid to the Assistant Secretary for services rendered the Department Secretary at Convention." Carried. During the interval of absence of tellers from Convention Hall, opportunity was given to ask questions of the National President relative to points not clearly understood by Corps. It was moved

and seconded, "That the out going President, Secretary and Treasurer compose a committee to destroy all useless property belonging to the Department." After much discussion, the motion prevailed.

Tellers reported no election on the first ballot. Second ballot ordered with no election. Mrs. Ellison and Babbitt's names were withdrawn and Mrs. Neeley was unanimously elected third member of the Executive Board.

Fourth member: Mrs. Calvert nominated Mrs. Phelps of Loveland. Mrs. Lowther nominated Mrs. Sahrbeck of Manitou. Mrs. Babbitt nominated Mrs. Stockett of Denver. Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Martin of Gunnison. Nominations declared closed, ballots collected and tellers retired. First ballot, no election. Second ballot ordered. Tellers returned and announced Mrs. Emma Martin had received the majority of all votes cast. The President declared Mrs. Martin fourth member of Executive Board.

Fifth member: Mrs. Rapp nominated Mrs. Ashbaugh of Central City. Mrs. Campbell nominated Mrs. Greene of Arvada. Mrs. Mummah nominated Mrs. Smith of Pueblo. Nominations closed and tellers retired. First ballot, no election. Second ballot ordered. Before votes were collected, Mrs. Ashbaugh's name was withdrawn. Tellers announced that Mrs. Smith had received the majority of the votes cast. President declared Mrs. Smith elected the fifth member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for Delegate at Large: Mrs. Critchell nominated Mrs. Alice M. Seeds, with a unanimous second. Moved and seconded, "That the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention." Carried. President declared Mrs. Alice M. Seeds elected Delegate at Large.

Nominations for First Delegate: Mrs. Hartzell nominated Mrs. Libbie K. Daniels, seconded by Mrs. DePue. Nominations closed and Secretary instructed to cast the vote of the Convention. Secretary cast the vote and Mrs. Daniels was elected First Delegate.

Nominations for Second Delegate: Mrs. Seeds nominated Mrs. Wheatley of Longmont. Mrs. Colville nominated Mrs. Wayne of Florence. Nominations closed and tellers retired. Upon their return they announced that Mrs. Wheatley had received the majority of all votes cast. The President declared Mrs. Wheatley elected Second Delegate.

Nominations for Alternate at Large: Mrs. Dwinell nominated Mrs. Wayne. Nominations were closed and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Wayne as Alternate at Large.

Nominations for First Alternate: Mrs. Cowell nominated Mrs. Evans of Denver. Mrs. Martin nominated Mrs. McDonald of Cripple Creek. Mrs. Johnson nominated Mrs. Ellis of Denver. Nominations closed and tellers retired. Tellers returned and announced no election on first ballot. Second ballot ordered and Mrs. Mattie J. McDonald was elected First Alternate.

Nominations for Second Alternate: Mrs. Ulen nominated Mrs. Evans. There being no further nominations, the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Convention. Mrs. Martha W. Evans declared elected Second Alternate.

The election of officers being finished, Mrs. Hardin returned her hearty thanks to the Conductors, Guard and all members of the Convention for their attention and courtesy throughout the entire session. She was very

much pleased and honored to have had the National President in attendance. Moved by Mrs. Calvert, and seconded by many, "That a vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. Hardin for the very efficient manner in which she had conducted the Fourteenth Department Convention." Carried. There being no further business, Convention adjourned to meet at 7 P. M. at Grand Opera House for Installation of Officers.

Meeting in Grand Opera House was called to order by Fannie D. Hardin, Department President, who said: "We have met here this evening for the purpose of installing our officers-elect," and appointed Past Department President Mary L. Carr Conductor and Past Dept. President Ella L. C. Dwinell Chaplain. Sarah J. Martin, National President, having been requested to install the officers, was presented in due form and at once proceeded to the performance of her duty and installed the following officers, at the close of which she was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses:

President, Lucy M. Campbell; Senior Vice President, Minnie G. Kingsford; Junior Vice President, Arabella C. Johnson; Treasurer, Clara Rapp; Chaplain, Adda Ulen. Executive Board, Angie C. Grove, Mary E. Neeley, Emma Martin and Lucinda J. Smith.

The Department President then announced the following appointments:

Secretary, Hester W. Hartzell; Inspector, Sarah Williams; Counselor, Fannie D. Hardin; Patriotic Instructor, Ella Wayne.

The newly elected President, Mrs. Campbell, thanked the Convention for the honor conferred and the National President for services as installing officer, and calling the Department Commander, W. T. S. May, to the platform, assured him of her hearty co-operation and the earnest support of sixteen hundred loyal, patriotic women of the Relief Corps.

Department President declared the Fourteenth Annual Department Convention closed.

Minutes of Department Council.

Colorado Springs, Colorado, May 15th, 1897.

The first meeting of the Council for the year 1897 was held at the Temple Theatre, on Thursday evening, May 13th, 1897, and was called to order at 9:30 p. m., the newly elected President, Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin, presiding. There were present, Alice M. Seeds, S. V. P.; Ella B. Ackerman, J. V. P.; Clara Rapp, Treasurer; Ella Dwinell, Counselor; Mary A. Eldridge, I. and I. Officer.

Mrs. Seeds was appointed Secretary pro tem. The minutes of the last session not being in proper form for reading, the same was deferred until the next meeting. No farther business the Council adjourned subject to the call of the President.

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Secretary Pro Tem.

SECOND COUNCIL MEETING.

Denver, Colorado, June 24th, 1897.

Second Department Council meeting was held at Department Headquarters, Fannie D. Hardin in the chair, and nine members present. Opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes of first Council meeting read, and after slight correction were approved. Ella L. C. Dwinell nominated Ida Critchell for chairman of Auditing Committee; seconded by Hester W. Hartzell. Carried. Mrs. Hartzell nominated Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell as member of said committee; seconded by Mrs. Dwinell. Carried. Mrs. Campbell nominated Dora Horton of Littleton; seconded by Mrs. Macauley. Carried. Ida Critchell, Lucy M. Campbell and Dora Horton, Auditing Committee for the year. Minutes of the last afternoon session of Department Convention were read, and after a few corrections were approved.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer offered the following resolution: "Resolved, that we, the Department Council of Colorado and Wyoming extend the thanks of the W. R. C. to the citizens and the Colorado Springs Relief Corps for the courtesies extended during the Thirteenth Annual Convention, and that these resolutions be printed in our Journal." Carried.

Mrs. Lydia Ellison, Delegate to National Convention, sent her resignation. Would be unable to attend on account of death in family. Moved by Mrs. Critchell; seconded by Mrs. Macauley; "that resignation be accepted." Carried.

Moved by Lucy M. Campbell; seconded by Ida Critchell; that this Council take action that the Department pay Katie L. Sahrbeck ten dollars (\$10.00) for services rendered at Thirteenth Department Convention as Assistant Secretary. Carried. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the President.

EDNA E. HAMILTON, Department Secretary.

Approved August 18th, 1897.

THIRD COUNCIL MEETING.

Denver, Colorado, August 18th, 1897.

The Third Department Council meeting was held at Department Headquarters and called to order by the Department President, Fannie D. Hardin. Opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer. Members present: Fannie D. Hardin, Department President; Clara Rapp, Hester W. Hartzell, Adelia C. Macauley, Mary A. Eldridge, Lucy M. Campbell, Dora Horton, Ida Critchell, Edna E. Hamilton. Minutes of second Council meeting read and approved. Resignations having been received from Delegates to National Convention, it was moved by Mrs. Critchell, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, "The same be accepted." Carried.

Nominations were then in order to elect Alternate at Large, second Delegate, first and second Alternate. The following named persons were nominated and elected to fill the above vacancies, respectively: Ellen Holbrook, Emma Johnson, Emma Hollister, Sarah F. Russel. Mrs. Hardin stated that the chairman of the Mountain and Plain Festival committee had offered her a float, horses, etc., for the W. R. C. to be represented, if they so wished, and desired to know what action the Council would take. After a thorough discussion it was moved and seconded, that we accept the offer of Committee of Mountain and Plain and be represented. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Critchell; seconded by Mrs. Macauley; "that the Department Treasurer be instructed to put new ribbons in badges returned by disbanded Corps." Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell; seconded by Mrs. Critchell; "to adjourn subject to the call of the President."

EDNA E. HAMILTON, Department Secretary.

FOURTH COUNCIL MEETING.

Denver, Colorado, October 2nd, 1897.

The Department Council met at Headquarters on Saturday afternoon with the following members present: Mrs. Hardin, Rapp, Macauley, Hartzell, Eldridge, Campbell, Horton, Critchell and Hamilton. Opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

The meeting was called to make arrangements in regard to decoration of float which would be in parade of Mountain and Plain. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Letters were read from Mrs. Mary Campbell and Ella L. C. Dwinell, saying they could not be present at the Festival. After some discussion it was thought best for each one to bring what decoration they had. On the day of the parade have several old soldiers with their guns ride on the float with us.

Moved by Mrs. Horton; seconded by Mrs. Campbell; that President appoint a committee on decoration. Carried. The Department President appointed Mrs. Hartzell, Campbell, Rapp and Hamilton to do the decorating; Mrs. Campbell, Rapp and Hartzell to see about getting some old soldiers for the float.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell; seconded by Mrs. Rapp; "that meeting adjourn subject to the call of the President."

EDNA E. HAMILTON, Department Secretary

FIFTH COUNCIL MEETING.

Denver, Colorado, January 22nd, 1898.

The Department Council met at Department Headquarters on Saturday afternoon, January 22nd. Opened by repeating Lord's Prayer. Those present were Mrs. Hardin, Hartzell, Rapp, Macauley, Eldridge, Campbell, Critchell, Horton and Hamilton. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The meeting was called to discuss the payment of bill for Department Journals, and such other business as might come before the meeting. After discussing at length the payment of bill for Journals of Thirteenth Department Convention of \$134.00, it was moved by Mrs. Lucy Campbell and seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, that the Secretary be instructed to write to Mr. De Tolley, the printer, and ask for a reduction in the bill. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Critchell; seconded by Mrs. Macauley; that an invitation be sent to the National President and Secretary asking them to be present at the Department Convention to be held in Cripple Creek. Carried. After discussing at length in regard to the Department Officers' reports being sent to Department Headquarters for examination before being read at the Convention, it was moved by Mrs. Eldridge; seconded by Mrs. Horton; "that officers' reports be at Headquarters by the 20th of May for approval." Carried. Moved by Mrs. Horton; seconded by Mrs. Macauley "that meeting adjourn subject to the call of President." Carried.

EDNA E. HAMILTON, Secretary.

SIXTH COUNCIL MEETING.

Denver, Colorado, June 11th, 1898.

The Department Council met at Headquarters with six members present. Opened with Lord's Prayer. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mrs. Rapp, Department Treasurer, stated that in February, Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27 had sent an order for supplies. The supplies were sent by mail as ordered, but failed to reach their destination. Other supplies were sent by express. Who should stand this loss? Moved by Mrs. Critchell; seconded by Mrs. Campbell; "that the Department stand this loss pending the return of supplies if found by Postal authorities." Carried. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Moved by Mrs. Rapp; seconded by Mrs. Critchell; "adjourn to meet in Cripple Creek, June 14th, 1898. Carried.

EDNA E. HAMILTON, Department Secretary.

SEVENTH COUNCIL MEETING.

Cripple Creek, Colorado, June 14th, 1898.

The Seventh Department Council meeting was held at National Hotel, Cripple Creek, Tuesday morning, with the following members present: Mrs. Hardin, Alice M. Seeds, Ella L. C. Dwinell, Clara Rapp, Mary A. Eldridge, Hester W. Hartzell and Executive Board, Lucy M. Campbell, Ida Crutchell, Mary E. Campbell, Secretary Edna E. Ham-

ilton. Meeting called to order at 10:30 by President. Opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Chairman of Executive Board made the following report:

Fannie D. Hardin, Department President, and Members of the Department Council:

Ladies:—As Chairman of the Executive Board I wish to submit the following report for the Fourteenth Annual Convention. At the beginning of the year I counseled with the Department President concerning our work and have ever held myself in readiness to assist whenever called upon to do so. We have had a very prosperous year, and the work has been executed with as much economy and judicial management as was possible; and it is but just to our Department President that we acknowledge the faithfulness with which she has discharged her duties during her term of office. In making many official visits, free transportation has been secured, and personal expenses, I fear, have been borne by herself. There have been seven Council meetings during the year, and I have been permitted to attend them all.

As a member of the Auditing Committee, I have met with the other members at the home of the Department Treasurer five times to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer. July 1st, 1897; October 16th, December 31st, March 31st, 1898, and June 14th, 1898.

I have carefully examined all books, accounts and vouchers, and find them correct and beautifully kept. I accompanied the Department President on several of her official visits, and the work of the year has been both pleasant and profitable. I hereby tender my heartfelt thanks to Department President and other officers for the many acts of kindness received. Yours in F. C. & L.,

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,

Chairman Executive Board.

Moved by Alice M. Seeds; seconded by Edna E. Hamilton; "that the report of Chairman of Executive Board be accepted." Carried.

Minutes of the meeting read and approved.

Moved by Hester W. Hartzell; seconded by Mary E. Campbell; "to adjourn sine die."

EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

Decisions.

1. That we petition the next General Assembly to so amend the law relating to the appointment of the Soldiers' Home Board that at least one member shall be a woman: the wife, widow or daughter of a soldier and a member of the W. R. C.
2. That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department the weekly paper known as "The National Standard," published in Denver by a Grand Army man.
3. That the incoming President use her own discretion in the appointment of an Emergency Committee in every Corps in the Department, said committee to work in conjunction with Citizens' Committee for the relief of soldiers who may pass through their town to the war.
4. That all Corps send money to the Department Treasurer by post-office or express orders, as the banks charge exchange on checks.
5. That the incoming President appoint a committee of nine to work with a like committee from the Grand Army to use their influence in removing the Soldiers' Home from Monte Vista to Golden, Colo.
6. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals and give to the lowest reliable bidder.
6. That unless transportation can be secured, the inspection be done by Blank, provided that method remain a National Law, to give our treasury a chance to replenish.
8. That it is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial Day for money making purposes, which will desecrate the sacredness of the day.

Unofficial Proceedings.

The most lavish hospitality was shown to the visiting delegates by the citizens of Cripple Creek, and everything that could be done was arranged for to do honor to the Veterans. All the incoming trains were met by the local committees, who escorted the delegates to the G. A. R. headquarters, which were elegantly decorated for the occasion, which same decorations extended to all the business houses and private residences in the city.

The Masonic Hall had been secured for the use of the W. R. C. for the Department Convention, and was really the most beautiful hall ever used for such a purpose, large, airy and decorated with bunting, cut flowers and palms in profusion. On Tuesday afternoon a parade lasting two hours was enjoyed by the visiting guests. In the evening one of the famous camp fires of the G. A. R. was held, and hundreds were unable to gain access to the hall. Mrs. Sarah J. Martin, National Pres. read an interesting paper on the organizations of the Order. Through the generosity of the Citizens' Committee, an electric car ride was given over the mountain, 10,000 feet above sea level to the famed Anchoria-Leland mine and others of equal note.

Wednesday evening the Woman's Relief Corps held a reception which will ever be remembered for its cordial welcome to all. The address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. Stella A. Kyle, President of Cripple Creek Corps. Response by Mrs. Hardin, Department President.

Thursday evening a joint installation of the newly elected officers concluded the Fourteenth Annual Convention, after which the audience was

invited to Butte Opera House, where the Sons of Veterans were giving a ball, and it is not best to say at what hour some of the boys and girls got home, but all things have an end, and each left Cripple Creek voting the time too short, and this particular Convention certainly one of the very best.

Report of Committee on By-Laws.

The committee appointed to collect the decisions of the Department Conventions submit its report as follows:

As no Journal of the Department is to be had prior to 1889, we could go no farther back than 1888 in our research. After carefully looking over the decisions of each convention, we find the following to still be in force in this department:

- I. A Roll of Honor is hereby established for all Corps sending correct reports of both Secretary and Treasurer, with per capita tax inclosed, on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.
- II. That rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter) belonging to Corps disbanded, be sold at regular prices.
- III. That the President-elect be furnished with a copy of Decisions of convention within fifteen days after its adjournment.
- IV. That the rate of representation to Department Convention remain the same: one for every twenty members, and one additional for the fraction of more than one-half that number.
- V. That the per capita tax remain fifteen cents per quarter.
- VI. That all orders for supplies be sent direct to the Department Treasurer.
- VII. That at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from Corps nearest the Department President, in order to facilitate the auditing of the books and accounts.
- VIII. That the Corps quarterly reports be filled out on day of last meeting in the quarter, the same to be enclosed in one envelope and forwarded without delay to the Department Secretary.
- IX. That the Corps Secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year. That each Corps purchase a letter file for the above purpose.
- X. That Department Secretary in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps Secretaries, shall indicate in red ink on line 15, Form A, "No remaining suspended, last report," which shall not be changed, the same to be a copy of column 16, on Consolidated Report of previous quarter.
- XI. That a Red Book be purchased by every Corps in this Department for the use of officers especially; by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.
- XII. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at Headquarters for one year.
- XIII. That a record be kept at Headquarters giving the date of organizations of Corps and names of charter members; also a record of all disbanded Corps, and cause of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.
- XIV. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at Headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.
- XV. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in the Roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that the date of organization be added to the Roster.

- XVI. That on election returns sent to the Department Secretary be written the address of the Corps President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.
- XVII. That a General Order containing the address of the Department Chaplain be sent to all Corps Chaplains.
- XVIII. That Corps Treasurers' bonds be furnished free to all Corps; Department Secretary to send the same with Corps Secretaries' and Treasurers' blanks, the last quarter of the year.
- XIX. That no supplies be sent Corps unless ordered on regular requisition blanks, the amount due to accompany the order, as per Rules and Regulations.
- XX. That the Delegate badges ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention remain the property of the Department, and in the custody of the Department Treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each Delegate to receipt for her badge, and return the same to the Department Treasurer after the convention; that the Department President can change the ribbon of the badges at her discretion.
- XI. That hereafter, in working out election returns, Past Corps Presidents transferred, be reported by the Corps in which they hold their membership as transferred from the Corps to which they formerly belonged, and their names be dropped from the roll of the Corps from which they were transferred.
- XXII. That Corps, sending for supplies, shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies, can not be entered on the books of the Department Treasurer.
- XXIII. That Resolution No. 3 as adopted by the Tenth Annual Convention be amended to read: "That it is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial Day for money-making purposes, which will desecrate the sacredness of the day."
- XXIV. That the Corps of this Department bend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with Corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30th, or upon some other day.
- XXV. That Installing Officers be furnished by the out-going Secretary with a list of the Corps officers, type-written if possible - the names given in full and properly spelled.
- XXVI. That ten per cent. of per capita tax received each quarter be transferred to the Department Relief Fund.
- XXVII. That Corps Treasurers in cities give their addresses on quarterly reports, giving street and number.
- XXVIII. That a copy of General Orders be sent each Corps President and Secretary.
- XXIX. That the National Journals be distributed to those entitled to them as soon as received at Department Headquarters.
- XXX. That the Department banner be taken to the Convention Hall at annual meetings.
- XXXI. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee. As the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

We would recommend that these decisions, with such as may be added at each annual Convention, be printed on the last pages of the Journal. Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

MARY L. CARR,
AMERICA ANDERSON,
LAURA S. DODGE.

General Orders.

ISSUED AT
COLORADO SPRINGS, May 14, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 1. }

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Auxilliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at its Thirteenth Annual Convention held in Colorado Springs, May 11, 12 and 13, 1897, I hereby assume command, asking the loyal support of all Corps in this Department.

I. Department Headquarters are hereby established at Denver, Colorado, No. 1515 Welton Street, and Edna E. Hamilton has been appointed Department Secretary.

II. Mrs. Clara Rapp, of Denver, has been re-elected Department Treasurer. All orders for supplies will be addressed to her.

III. Corps Chaplains are reminded that the Memorial Day blanks must be filled out immediately after Memorial Day and forwarded to Department Chaplain, Adelia Macauley, Corps No. 42, Denver, Colo.

These officers will be respected and obeyed accordingly.

By Command of

FANNIE D. HARDIN.

Official,

Department President.

MARION SUTTON, Department Secretary.

ISSUED AT
COLORADO SPRINGS, May 14, 1897.

MEMORIAL ORDER }
ISSUED WITH }
GENERAL ORDERS No. 1. }

Memorial Day following so closely upon our Department Convention and as the National Order has reached the Corps, I promulgate this order that all Corps may know how dear this day is to me, and we hope all Corps in this Department will observe the day in the true spirit in which it was instituted by that Grand Soldier, General Logan. Sacred above all others this day should be held by all of the Woman's Relief Corps, and by their influence in the community where they are organized, they should help to impress all that this is not a holiday, but a day of memorial to the men who took their lives in their hands to make this a United Country, for all who should come after them, and that we can show on this Memorial Day that we are not forgetful of their great sacrifice.

"There are lilies for the dutiful and roses for the brave,
And laurel for the victor's crown, and myrtle for his grave,
There is crimson for the blood that flowed, that freedom might be free,
And golden for the hearts of gold, that died for you and me.
Till love no more is loving, let us lift our souls and say,
For liberty and loyalty,
We keep Memorial day!"

By Command of

FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Official,

Department President of Colorado and Wyoming.

MARION SUTTON, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1515 Welton Street, DENVER, COLO., June 17, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 2. }

I. The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Colorado Springs May 11, 12 and 13, 1897, elected the following officers:

- Department President—Fannie D. Walthall Hardin, Denver.
- Department Senior Vice President—Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek.
- Department Junior Vice President—Ella B. Ackerman, Grand Junction.
- Department Treasurer—Clara Rapp, 4151 Gray Street, Denver.
- Department Chaplain—Adelia C. Macauley, 311 South Tremont Street, Denver.
- Executive Board—Lucy M. Campbell, Chairman, Denver; Ida L. Critchell, Denver; Katie L. Sahrbeck, Manitou; Dora Horton, Littleton; Mary E. Campbell, Buena Vista.

The following appointments are hereby announced:

- Department Counselor—Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs.
- Department Secretary—Edna E. Hamilton, 2263 Lincoln Avenue, Denver (who was duly installed Friday, May 14, 1897).
- Department Inspector—Hester Hartzell, 433 South Pearl Street, Denver.
- Department I. and I. Officer—Mary A. Eldridge, Golden.
- Department Press Correspondent—Josephine A. Cheeseman, Greeley.

II. Delegates to the Fifteenth National Convention at Buffalo, N. Y.:

- Delegate-at-Large—Bessie W. French, Pueblo.
- First Delegate—Lydia Ellison, Colorado Springs.
- Second Delegate—Clementine S. Hawes, Greeley.
- Alternate-at-Large—Mina Rische, Denver.
- First Alternate—Frederika Langmyer, Colorado Springs.
- Second Alternate—Susie Searle, Leadville.

III. The following Standing Committees are hereby named:

- Department Relief Committee—Persis A. Arnold, Chairman, Corps No. 14, 1345 Curtis Street, Denver; Minnie E. Kingsford, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyoming; Mina Sanford, No. 2, Pueblo; Nancy Cowell, No. 6, Denver; L. A. Herriott, No. 24, Evans.
- Patriotic Teaching—Sarah W. Pease, Chairman, Corps No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming; Clara L. Whitney, No. 27, Boulder; Arvilla Johnson, No. 8, Leadville; Matilda J. Hotchkiss, No. 18, Fort Morgan; Mary E. Cole, No. 22, Springfield; E. Helen Tiffany, No. 3, Durango.

Corps Presidents are requested to appoint a Press Committee, if they have not already done so, and have said committee communicate with the chairman, Josephine A. Cheeseman, Greeley. Also, Committee on Patriotic Teaching, Chairman, Sarah W. Pease, Laramie, Wyo.

IV. The following appointments on the staff of the Department President are hereby announced:

CHIEF OF STAFF.—Ella Walsh, Fort Collins.

DEPARTMENT AIDES.

Anna Benton, Corps No. 1.	Josie Robertson, Corps No. 22.
Lucinda Smith, Corps No. 2.	Electa Farley, Corps No. 23.
Eliza J. La Count, Corps No. 3.	Sadie Cole, Corps No. 25.
Julia Spinney, Corps No. 4.	Martha C. Fisk, Corps No. 26.
Stella Newman, Corps No. 6.	Lucy Norton, Corps No. 27.
Kate Brewer, Corps No. 7.	Helen Smith, Corps No. 30.
Sadie M. Fisher, Corps No. 9.	Eva G. Collin, Corps No. 32.
Emma Anderson, Corps No. 10.	A. E. Weil, Corps No. 33.
Mary P. Sheek, Corps No. 11.	Sarah Miller, Corps No. 34.
Elizabeth Palmer, Corps No. 12.	Mary C. Williams, Corps No. 36.
Lucy Girard, Corps No. 14.	Lizzie C. Smith, Corps No. 37.
Flora J. Hall, Corps No. 16.	Alice A. Easton, Corps No. 40.
Ida M. Fallis, Corps No. 17.	Helen L. Berrian, Corps No. 41.
Emily Luce, Corps No. 18.	Debra Moser, Corps No. 42.
Annie McKnight, Corps No. 19.	Isabel Bushinger, Corps No. 43.
Charlotte Brandis, Corps No. 20.	Inez B. Hill, Corps No. 45.
Lucy M. Capron, Corps No. 21.	

Aides will procure badges through their Corps Treasurers and report to headquarters at once of their acceptance of the honor conferred.

V. Decisions of the Thirteenth Department Convention, together with other appointments, will be promulgated in subsequent General Orders.

Department pass word accompanies these General Orders, and cipher to same must be destroyed immediately.

The duties of the Aides will be to make themselves efficient in the work, so that they may be able to advise and assist in matters pertaining to the welfare of our Order.

The Roll of Honor will be continued, and we trust that every Corps will be heard from on or before the fifth of the month after the close of the quarter, that their names may be on this roll.

VI. Attention is called to circular letter enclosed, regarding a testimonial to Past National President, Annie Wittenmyer. All contributions to this most worthy object, should be sent direct to Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, 4151 Gray Street, Denver.

Special attention is called to the Blanks "00," which must be properly filled out by Corps presidents and forwarded to the Department Secretary with quarterly reports not later than July 5, 1897.

VII. All money orders, drafts, etc., for Per Capita tax must be made payable to Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, and forwarded with reports to Department Secretary, Edna E. Hamilton, 2263 Lincoln Avenue, Denver.

Orders for supplies must be made on regular requisition blanks, with sufficient money added to price of supplies to pay the return postage on the same.

VIII. Steadman Corps, No. 28, Telluride, Henrietta Glenn, President, was disbanded on June 15, 1897. A letter dated May 21, in answer to a letter of inquiry written just after my election, was duly received at this

office, stating that they had written in March for instructions how to disband legally. I made an earnest appeal to them to try awhile longer, but after the exchange of several letters the one bearing news of disbanding reached this office this a. m., June 17, 1897. This Corps was virtually disbanded in March as they have had no meetings since that time.

IX. At the Eighteenth Annual Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Colorado and Wyoming, the following Comrades were elected to fill the offices as designated below :

Department Commander.—Uriah S. Hollister, Post No. 42, Denver,
Senior Vice Commander—J. B. Jennings, Post No. 58, Rawlins, Wyo.
Junior Vice Commander—W. W. Ferguson, Post No. 100, Victor.
Medical Director—Dr. G. W. Curfman, Post No. 81, Denver.
Chaplain—Rev. J. W. Frinkbner, Post No. 22, Colorado Springs.

The Department Commander announces the following appointments :

Assistant Adjutant General—M. S. Crawford, Post No. 42, Denver.
Assistant Quartermaster General—H. C. Olney, Post No. 47, Denver.
Department Inspector—E. A. Slack, Post No. 33, Cheyenne, Wyoming.
Chief of Staff—W. E. Moses, Post No. 39, Denver.

Executive Board Sons of Veterans :

Division Commander—Harlan Thomas, Denver.
Senior Vice Division Commander—J. Port Hickey, Boulder.
Junior Vice Division Commander—W. R. Wheaton, Cripple Creek.
Adjutant—Elmer R. Templeton, Denver.
Quartermaster—Jas. J. Johnson, Denver.

Executive Board Ladies' Aid, Sons of Veterans :

Division President—Miss Attie F. Kern, New Windsor.
Division Senior Vice President—Mrs. Martha Birch, Pueblo.
Treasurer—Mrs. Alice McNeil, New Windsor.
Secretary—Miss Attie Middleton, New Windsor.

The following additional Corps have contributed for Memorial Day in the South :

Jas. W. Anderson No. 23.....	\$ 50
Gunnison No. 12.....	1 50
Wadsworth No. 16.....	50
Mulligan No. 22.....	1 00
Joe Hooker No. 43.....	1 00
Custer No. 20.....	2 00
Casper W. Collins No. 13.....	1 00
Total.....	\$7 50

National Council of Women :

James A. Garfield, No. 8.....	\$2 00
Wadsworth No. 16.....	25
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	1 00
E. V. Sumner, No. 7.....	35
Joe Hooker No. 43.....	1 00
Total.....	\$4 00

Andersonville Prison Fund :

W. T. Sherman No. 24.....	\$5 00
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All Comrades of the Grand Army, members of the Woman's Relief Corps and kindred organizations, are cordially invited to visit headquarters, 1515 Welton Street, Denver, Colo.

FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Department President.

Official,

EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING,
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1515 Welton Street, DENVER, COLO., July 27, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 3.

I. Department Commander U. S. Hollister, G. A. R. Department of Colorado and Wyoming, has extended an invitation to the Department President, and through her to the delegates and visitors of the Women's Relief Corps in this Department, to accompany him and his staff on the official train to Buffalo; also has placed at the disposal of the W. R. C. the use of joint headquarters, room 357 Ellicott Square Building, Buffalo. The same having been accepted by your President, the invitation is hereby extended to you with the hope that many may avail themselves of the opportunity and go. Headquarters will close in Denver on August 20th, and will remain closed until September 15th. The Treasurer and Secretary will be in their respective offices during this time.

All delegates must notify Secretary Edna E. Hamilton, 2263 Lincoln Avenue, by August 5th, if unable to go, that their places may be filled. All members are requested to notify this office of their intention to go, that ample room may be provided for their comfort, and all delegates are requested to go.

Following is Commander Hollister's order:

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Grand Army of the Republic, }
Room 19, State Capitol, Denver, Colo., July 27, 1897. }

The official train for the Department to the National Encampment will be by way of the "Burlington Route" to Chicago, and the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern from Chicago to Buffalo.

Fare for round trip, \$38.30; good returning until September 20th.

The above rate applies from Denver, Pueblo, Colorado Springs and Longmont.

Wyoming people can get the same rate from Cheyenne, joining the official train at Holdredge.

Sleeping car fare, \$9.00 each way. Sleepers will run through from Denver to Buffalo.

The train will leave Denver at 9:50 p. m., August 20th, arrive Chicago 8:20 a. m., August 22nd; leave Chicago from Van Buren Street Station 3:00 p. m., August 22nd; arrive Buffalo 6:50 a. m., August 23rd.

Department Headquarters will close in Denver at 12 o'clock noon, August 20th, and re-open at Room 357 Ellicott Square Building, Buffalo, N. Y., at 10 a. m., August 23rd, and it is expected that the Woman's Relief Corps, and Ladies of the G. A. R. will establish headquarters at the above named place.

The comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of the Auxiliary or other associations connected with the Grand Army of the Republic, are invited to join us on the Headquarters Train.

The people of Buffalo have spared neither time nor expense to make the Encampment a great event. Buffalo is located in a great center of population, and we may expect one of the best attended and most interesting encampments that has ever been held by the Grand Army of the Republic.

Parties desiring sleeping-car accommodations should engage them in advance, addressing G. W. Vallery, General Agent Burlington Route, 1939 17th St., Denver, Colorado.

II. The following decisions of the Thirteenth Department Convention are hereby promulgated:

1. That our Corps be requested to furnish works of art and decorations for the Soldiers' Home.

2. That the silver badges worn by our national delegates have fresh ribbon each year, as they are always soiled after being worn at the Convention, and are not suitable to be worn a second time.

3. That those things that belong to the Department and are only needed as a matter of history be kept in one place designated by the Past Presidents of this Department, that the Department need not be to the expense of moving them from place to place.

4. That all recommendations or resolutions accepted be put in file or book together, and that general orders giving the decisions of Conventions be filed in a book by themselves, so that officers will not have to look through so much material to find what they want.

5. That the Past Department President send the Journals to those entitled to them direct, thus saving double freight on same.

6. That the Department Secretary and Treasurer properly fill out separate blanks of Secretary and Treasurer and Relief Committee and send to Corps with the first blanks sent out after installation.

III. Major Anderson Corps No. 35, auxiliary to Major Anderson Post, G. A. R., of Arvada, Colorado, was organized June 5th, 1897, with fourteen charter members. We hope to organize many more during the year.

IV. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the quarter ending June 30th, 1897, reports for same having reached us on or before July 5th:

No.	No.	No.
Farragut..... 1	U. S. Grant..... 15	Steadman..... 2
Upton..... 2	Wadsworth..... 16	Battle Mountain..... 3
Sedgwick..... 3	Grand Junction..... 17	McPherson..... 4
Colorado Springs..... 4	R. A. Cameron..... 18	Richardson..... 5
T. H. Dodd..... 5	Custer..... 19	Kilpatrick..... 6
George G. Meade..... 6	Reno..... 20	Major Anderson..... 7
E. V. Sumner..... 7	Mulligan..... 21	Alton..... 8
James A. Garfield..... 8	J. W. Anderson..... 22	Pike's Peak..... 9
J. F. Reynolds..... 9	W. T. Sherman..... 23	M. M. Crocker..... 10
North Forks..... 10	Pfeiffer..... 24	George Washington..... 11
Gunnison..... 11	George H. Thomas..... 25	Joe Hooker..... 12
Casper W. Collins..... 12	Nathaniel Lyon..... 26	L. C. Fremont..... 13
Veteran..... 13		

V. The following Corps have contributed to the funds named below, viz:

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE SOUTH.

McPherson No. 25.....	\$1 25
Geo. G. Meade No. 6.....	1 00
April 28, J. C. Fremont No. 45.....	1 00
	\$3 25

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

M. M. Crocker No. 40.....	\$ 75
Geo. G. Meade No. 6.....	90
April 29, John C. Fremont.....	10
	\$1 95

ANDERSONVILLE PRISON FUND.

R. A. Cameron No. 18.....	\$1 50
Reno No. 21.....	1 50
George Washington No. 42.....	1 20
March 12, John C. Fremont No. 45.....	3 00
March 12, John C. Fremont Post G. A. R.....	1 55
April 15, Farragut.....	2 15
	<hr/> \$10 00

ANNIE WITTENMYER FUND.

Pfeiffer No. 25.....	\$5 00
Geo. G. Meade No. 6.....	2 00
Geo. Washington No. 42.....	5 00
Winfield Scott No. 19.....	5 00
Upton No. 2.....	2 00
Jas. W. Anderson No. 23.....	1 00
Grand Junction No. 17.....	2 00
Reno No. 21.....	2 00
T. H. Dodd No. 5.....	3 00
Casper W. Collins No. 13.....	2 00
Nath'l Lyon.....	5 00
	<hr/> \$29 50

VI. The following additional aides have been appointed: Eliza Peters, No. 5; Mary R. Johnson, No. 35; Malania Lowther, No. 39.

VII. Aides will procure badges through their Corps Treasurer and report to Headquarters at once the acceptance of the honor conferred. Their duties shall be: First, to study the Rules and Regulations, that they may become familiar with our work; add members to their own Corps; encourage weak Corps and urge the formation of new ones; confer with Chief Aide Ella Walsh, Fort Collins, that you may keep in touch with the work in our Department; and be always on the alert for things pertaining to the good of the Order.

VIII. Memorial Day reports brings us tidings of increasing interest in this day of all days to us. Each year we should strive as individual members to do away with the entertainments that are a desecration to the day. Great things have been accomplished along these lines, but much remains to be done.


IX. A circular letter accompanies these orders from the Inspector announcing her assistants. Corps Presidents will see that all things are in readiness for her visit. Department pays traveling expenses, and Corps are expected to provide entertainment for her during her stay with you.

X. We earnestly hope and confidently expect that this year will be a very successful one for our Order, and that much good in every line of our work may be accomplished. I ask the earnest support and co-operation of every member of our Order. Not one of us but can do something. Let us do individual work. Let us be inspired with a patriotic desire and unselfish devotion to work for the Grand Army whose Auxiliary we are, and whose membership is fast decreasing. Let us lose no opportunity to render assistance to the men, or their families, who bared their breasts to the enemy that their country and their flag might be saved. Men who left their home and friends in response to the call to arms, and only returned when peace was proclaimed and "Old Glory" saved. A few more years and they will all have answered

the roll call, the call that must come to all, and they will have joined the Grand Army of the dead.

The many letters bearing congratulations and good wishes, as well as pledges of loyal support from our workers from over this Department, and indeed from many other Departments, all containing loving messages are hereby acknowledged with the assurance that they were appreciated and will be preserved with other memorials of the year's work, and will be an inspiration to me to be more devoted than ever to the Woman's Relief Corps.

A National Memorial accompanies this General Order, announcing the death of a beloved member of our Order.



MARIE HAZENWINKLE,

National Senior Vice President and Past Department
President of Minnesota.

"To know her was to love her."

Department of Colorado and Wyoming extends sympathy to Department of Minnesota, and to the family in their great loss.

Corps Presidents will see that their charters are draped in proper manner for thirty days from the receipt of this order.


FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Official,

Department President.

EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
DENVER, COLO., Sept. 21, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS
No. 4.

I. The Department President has returned from the Fifteenth National Convention, held at Buffalo, New York, in August, and extends greetings to the members of our Order throughout the Department; and now, my sisters, as the cool weather approaches, let us each take up our labor of love with renewed zeal.

Buffalo is a beautiful city, and the Departments of Colorado and Wyoming G. A. R. and W. R. C. were well represented.

II. The Department Inspector is preparing to start out on the annual tour of inspection. This work will be done in October and November. Corps Presidents will arrange dates with the Inspector, who will arrange as many meetings on regular days as possible, but it will be impossible to do so in all cases, and we sincerely hope that the requests for special meetings will be cheerfully met.

III. Corps will be required to exemplify the entire work of the ritual, and we trust that needed instruction will be gratefully and

kindly received. Corps Presidents will see that all blanks are properly filled out, arrange so that Secretary and Treasurer's books may be examined before the meeting, and give due written notice of inspection date, that there may be a full attendance.

IV. Inspectors will, before starting out, familiarize themselves with the work so that they may thoroughly understand what is required of them. As has been announced in previous General Orders, the Department pays traveling expenses of Inspectors and Corps are expected to entertain them.

V. The Department is divided into five districts, which will be inspected as follows:

The Senior Vice President will inspect Nos. 3, 7, 12, 25, 30, 43.

The Junior Vice President, Nos. 10, 11, 19, 29.

The Inspector, Nos. 5, 6, 14, 15, 18, 21, 24, 26, 27, 32, 35, 36, 40, 42, 45.

Past Department President Mary J. Telford, No. 17.

Department President, Nos. 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 13, 16, 20, 22, 23, 33, 34, 37, 39, 41.

Subject to any necessary changes.

Department Inspector has forwarded to each Corps President two copies of Form "O," who will properly fill them out for year beginning September 1st, 1896, and ending September 1st, 1897, returning one copy to Department Inspector Hester W. Hartzell, 433 So. Pearl Street, Denver, the other to be filed with the Corps records.

VI. The following Corps have contributed to funds named below since last General Orders:

ANNIE WITTENMYER FUND.

U. S. Grant No. 15.....	\$ 5.00
J. F. Reynolds No. 9.....	5.00
Sedgwick No. 3.....	1.00
W. T. Sherman No. 21.....	1.00
Jas. A. Garfield No. 8.....	5.00
Custer No. 20.....	10.00
Joe Hooker No. 43.....	2.00
R. A. Cameron No. 18.....	5.00
Farragut No. 1.....	1.00
Mulligan No. 22.....	1.00
Battle Mt. No. 29.....	5.00
Colorado Springs No. 1.....	3.50
Gunnison No. 12.....	2.00
McPherson No. 32.....	2.00
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	\$15.50

ANDERSONVILLE PRISON FUND.

Mulligan No. 22.....	\$ 1.00
Colorado Springs No. 1.....	1.70
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	\$ 2.70

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

C. W. Collins No. 13.....	\$.65
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VII. Several of the Aides appointed have not notified us of their acceptance. If they do not intend to serve, Presidents of Corps will please send other names, as we wish to have a good, wide-awake Aide in every Corps in the Department to look after delinquent members and other work pertaining to the good of the Order.

We urge upon the Corps Press Correspondent the necessity of corresponding with the Department Press Correspondent, Josephine A. Cheeseman, Greeley, Colorado, that your Corps may have the proper notices in the press reports.

Again the White-winged Messenger has entered our ranks and plucked one of our brightest jewels. A National Memorial accompanies this General Order, announcing the death of

E. FLORENCE BARKER.

The First National President of the
Woman's Relief Corps.

The Department of Colorado and Wyoming mourn with the Department of Massachusetts in their great loss, as well as the National Woman's Relief Corps, and extend to both, and to the family of our departed sister, the sympathy of this Department.

Corps Presidents will see that their charters are properly draped, as well as hold the Memorial Services requested in National General Orders.

"Her deeds yet live."

The sympathy of this Department is extended to our sister, Carrie L. Davis of Geo. G. Meade W. R. C. No. 6, and her husband, in the loss of their only son, Harry, who died in July. Mr. Davis was a young man with a bright military future before him.

By Command of **FANNIE D. HARDIN,**
Official, Department President.
EDNA E. HAMILTON,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1515 Welton St., DENVER, COLO., Nov. 4, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 5. }

I. In accordance with Rules and Regulations of our Order, the annual election of officers will take place at the first regular meeting in December, or at an adjourned meeting if found necessary, to complete the election. Each member must be previously notified of the meeting and its object.

II. The election of delegates and alternates to the Fourteenth Department Convention will occur at the same meeting. The ratio in this Department is one to every twenty members, and one for the major fraction, and an equal number of alternates. Representation is based upon reports of September 30th, 1897.

III. Each Corps is entitled to one delegate and one alternate, whatever its membership may be.

IV. Before election the President must read Article VII., Chapter II., of Rules and Regulations.

V. Too much care cannot be exercised in the selection of members to fill the various offices, and only those should be chosen who will pledge themselves to faithfully perform the duties of the offices for which they are selected.

VI. The officers elected must be installed at the first regular meeting in January, and joint installation with the Post is earnestly recommended.

VII. Installing officers will be selected by the officers-elect, the Corps Secretary reporting their choice and date of installation to Department Secretary. If a member of your own Corps is selected, no dispensation is necessary; if from another Corps, the Department President will make the appointment and all expenses incurred will be paid by the Corps.

VIII. Two installation blanks will be sent Installing Officer, which must be filled out immediately after installation with the names of the newly installed officers, as well as with the names of the delegates and alternates, giving the address of each. (Street and number if in the city.) These must be signed by Installing officer and retiring President, as well as by the new President on the outside fold; one to be sent to the Department Secretary and one to the Department I. and I. Officer, Mary A. Eldridge, Golden, Colorado.

IX. Corps Presidents' attention is called to the necessity of having Quarterly Reports in on time. They should be made out on the last meeting day in the quarter and sent immediately to the Department Secretary. All reports received before the 5th of the month will be entitled to be on the Roll of Honor. Corps Presidents are responsible for the correctness of their reports and should see that they are sent on time.

X. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the third quarter:

No.	No.	No.
Farragut..... 1	Wadsworth..... 16	Nathaniel Lyon..... 27
Upton..... 2	Grand Junction..... 17	Battle Mountain..... 29
Sedgwick..... 3	R. A. Cameton..... 18	McPherson..... 32
Colorado Springs..... 4	Winfield Scott..... 19	Major Anderson..... 35
T. H. Dodd..... 5	Custer..... 20	Akron..... 36
George G. Meade..... 6	Reno..... 21	Pike's Peak..... 39
James A. Gartfield..... 8	Mulligan..... 22	M. M. Crocker..... 40
J. F. Reynolds..... 9	J. W. Anderson..... 23	Phil Sheridan..... 41
Gunnison..... 12	W. T. Sherman..... 24	George Washington..... 42
Casper W. Collins..... 13	Pfeiffer..... 25	Joe Hooker..... 43
Veteran..... 14	George H. Thomas..... 26	J. C. Fremont..... 45
U. S. Grant..... 15		

XI. Thanksgiving will soon be here, the time when we, as a Nation, will be called upon to give thanks to the Ruler of all, and as we return thanks for our blessings let us not forget the men nor the families of the men who in the dark days of the '60's left home and offered their lives that the Union might be preserved. It is our privilege as well as duty to care for these needy ones, and let us minister unto them, asking only in return our Heavenly Father's blessing. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

XII. The Department President has just visited the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, and found everything in good order and the men well pleased with the present management. When asked what they needed, the reply was, "Something to read." Therefore, the Corps that contributed last year, and that feel like renewing the sub-

scription for the same books or papers will please do so. Others wishing to send something, and in doubt what to send, will please correspond with Commander French. Bound volumes for the library are also desired. Remember, your money must be sent through the Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, 4151 Gray Street, Denver, Colorado, that you may have credit for same. Denver Corps are requested to send fruit and delicacies, as boxes can be sent from that point to the Home free. All boxes from other points must be sent with express charges (if any) prepaid by sender.

XIII. After a long-continued struggle, Holyoke Corps No. 44 disbanded in March last. We wrote several letters after assuming the duties of the office before we heard from this Corps, and when we did, they wrote that they disbanded last March.

XIV. Ellsworth Corps No. 28 was instituted on the 19th day of October by the Department I. and I. Officer, Mrs. Mary A. Eldridge of Golden, at Central City, Colorado. This Corps starts out under favorable circumstances, with Mrs. Pauline Ashbaugh, formerly of Winfield Scott Corps No. 19, of Aspen, as President, and with such an ardent worker at its head, is sure to succeed. It is Auxiliary to Ellsworth Post No. 20, G. A. R.

XV. Again we are called upon to mourn the loss of a beloved member of our Order, Mary Chittenden Webb, of Geo. G. Meade Corps No. 6, of Denver. A faithful wife, a fond mother and dutiful daughter.

A true friend of our Order has passed away. To the family, the sympathy of the Department is extended.

XVI. The new National Pass Word has been sent out. Any Corps not receiving same will at once notify this office.

By Command of FANNIE D. HARDIN,
Official, Department President.
EDNA E. HAMILTON,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1515 Welton Street, DENVER, COLO., Jan. 31, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 6. }

I. In this, my first General Order this year, I wish to extend a fraternal greeting to the new officers, who at this writing have all been installed and are at work. Reports come to us from over the Department, that indicate a good, steady increase in membership. Let us individually do all we can to not only bring in new members, but visit our delinquent ones and interest them and get them back into our fold, as well as to work along other lines in the interest of the principles we are striving to maintain. We hope all committees named in this order will serve, as the time is short and we could not appoint them until the Journal was out.

II. National General Orders No. 6 accompanies these orders, which reminds us of the importance of the duties of our Press Committees. We urge upon the new President the necessity of appointing women to fill this responsible position who will give it the attention it requires. Send your articles to Josephine A. Cheeseman, Department Press Correspondent, as well as to see that they get into your local papers.

III. Another very important committee is that on Patriotic Instruction, which should be appointed at once. Sarah W. Pease, Corps No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming, has accepted the position of Patriotic Instructor for this Department, and members of the committee will get their instructions from her. A circular letter from the National Committee on this work accompanies this order.

IV. A circular letter also accompanies these orders, from Ella Walsh, Fort Collins, Chief of Staff and Senior Aide, which the Secretary of the Corps will please hand the Aide in her Corps. We hope each Aide will consider this a personal letter to herself, and will follow the instructions contained therein.

V. Corps Presidents throughout the Department are urgently requested to send in their quarterly reports, so that we may have them sure by the 5th of April, that you may be on the Roll of Honor, and that we have no delinquent Corps to report to National. Let me impress it upon you that upon these reports depends our showing at the Department Convention, and let us see to it that we are on time.

VI. The Revised Rituals are in the hands of the Department Treasurer. Most of the Corps have ordered them. Each Corps must have at least one. The new work calls for four flag bearers. Presidents will at once appoint them, and each flag-bearer must have a flag and standard. The new work is beautiful and will, we are sure, add much to the interest of our floor work and initiatory service.

VII. We trust that the Corps in this Department will, in so far as they can, follow out the instructions of Decision 1, Thirteenth Department Convention: "That our Corps be requested to furnish works of art and decorations for the Soldiers' Home."

VIII. As Decision 5 requires the Journals of the Thirteenth Department Convention to be sent direct by Past Department President (to save expense), Corps will address Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs, Colorado, and not this office, if Journals are not received.

IX. Committee on Department Property--Decision 3, Thirteenth Department Convention:

America Anderson, Chairman; Catherine C. Kennedy, Mary J. Telford, Mary L. Carr, Climena G. Howard, Laura S. Dodge, Janette L. Todd, Anna B. Holliday, Ella L. C. Dwinell.

X. Resolution No. 1, Thirteenth Department Convention, directs us to center our loving interest in the Sons of Veterans and their Auxiliary Societies. Let us see to it that we carry out the intention of this resolution.

XI. Resolution No. 2 provides for a committee of three to compile and edit Decisions of Department Conventions known as By-Laws, to report at next annual convention. Committee:

Mary L. Carr, Chairman, Longmont; Laura S. Dodge, Boulder; America Anderson, Denver.

XII. Resolution No. 3 provides for a Department committee for "Good of the Order," to suggest a line of work that shall be both educational and patriotic and shall also include a study of parliamentary usages. Committee:

Mary J. Telford, Chairman, No. 17; Bessie W. French, No. 2; Irene De Toliver, No. 4; Anna S. Burr, No. 16; Mary A. Miller, No. 11; Lydia McDole, No. 37.

XIII. The following additional Aides are appointed:

Miss Elizabeth Young, No. 28; Mrs. Clementine S. Hawes, No. 15; Mrs. Lydia C. Youngs, No. 24; Jennie Woodruff, No. 30; Mrs. Maggie Telford, No. 8; Jennie D. Ford, No. 38; Adaline Eakin, No. 31; Dora Greiner, No. 29; O. L. Donnel, No. 13.

XIV. Corps on Roll of Honor for fourth quarter, 1897:

No.	No.
Farragut 1	Custer 26
Upton 2	Reno 21
Sedgwick 3	J. W. Anderson 23
Colorado Springs 4	Pfeiffer 27
T. H. Dodd 5	Geo. H. Thomas 26
Geo. G. Meade 6	Nat'l Lyon 27
E. V. Sumner 7	Ellsworth 28
Jas. A. Garfield 8	Battle Mountain 29
J. F. Reynolds 9	Jim Bowie 30
General Shields 10	A. J. Smith 31
Gunnison 12	McPherson 32
C. W. Collins 13	Richardson 33
Veteran 14	Major Anderson 35
U. S. Grant 15	M. M. Crocker 40
Wadsworth 16	Phil Sheridan 41
Grand Junction 17	George Washington 42
R. A. Cameron 18	Joe Hooker 43
Winfield Scott 19	J. C. Fremont 45

XV. Phil. Sheridan Corps No. 41 disbanded in December, 1897, but hope to reorganize soon.

XVI. A. J. Smith Corps No. 31 was organized by the Department President December 8th, at Florence, Colorado, Auxiliary to A. J. Smith Post No. 102, with 21 charter members; Annie E. Babbitt, President.

A. E. Burnside Corps No. 38, Loveland, Colorado, was organized by the Department President January 3rd, with 23 charter members; Mary E. Phelps, President.

Both of these Corps start out under very favorable circumstances, as both Presidents and quite a number of the members are former Corps women, and well versed in the work of the Order.

XVII.

ANNIE WITTENMYER FUND.

U. S. Grant No. 15.....	\$ 5.00
Custer Post.....	5.00
	\$10.00

The money accounted for below having reached the Department Treasurer too late to be forwarded to the National Treasurer for the Anne Wittenmyer Fund before the convention, and having received a statement of money received for this fund showing that more money was raised than had been asked for, we therefore consulted the various

Corps in regard to the disposition of their contributions, with the following results:

J. P. Reynolds No. 9.....	\$ 5.00	Returned to Corps.
Custer No. 20.....	10.00	" " "
Joe Hooker No. 43.....	2.00	" " "
R. A. Cameron No. 18.....	5.00	" " "
Colorado Springs No. 4.....	3.50	" " "
McPherson No. 32.....	2.00	" " "
Sedgewick No. 3.....	1.00	Transferred to Department of Relief.
Farragut No. 1.....	1.00	" " " " "
Mulligan No. 22.....	1.00	" " " " "
W. T. Sherman No. 24.....	1.00	Transferred to Soldiers' Home.
Jas. A. Garfield No. 8.....	5.00	" " " " "
Battle Mt. No. 29.....	5.00	" " " " "
Gunnison No. 12.....	2.00	" " " " "

\$13.50

XVIII.—

DONATIONS TO SOLDIERS' HOME.

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Christian Herald.....	\$1.50
W. T. Sherman No. 24, Wyoming Home.....	1.50
Battle Mt. No. 29, Christmas Present.....	5.00
Colorado Springs No. 4, Subscription to 3 magazines.....	3.25

TRANSFERRED FROM ANNIE WITTENMYER FUND.

W. T. Sherman No. 24.....	\$ 1.00	Sedgewick No. 3.....	\$ 5.00
Battle Mt. No. 29.....	5.00	Nat'l Lyon No. 27.....	5.00
Gunnison No. 12.....	2.00	Veteran No. 14.....	10.00
Jas. A. Garfield No. 8.....	5.00	Winfield Scott No. 19.....	5.00
Grand Junction No. 17.....	2.00	Phil Sheridan No. 11.....	1.00
M. M. Crocker No. 40.....	4.00		

W. T. Sherman No. 24 sent a quilt to National W. R. C. Home, value \$1.00.
J. C. Fremont No. 45, Andersonville Prison Fund, \$1.00.

By Command of **FANNIE D. HARDIN,**
Official, Department President.
MISS EDNA E. HAMILTON,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1515 Welton Street, DENVER, COLO., May 9, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS } No. 7. }

I. The Fourteenth Annual Convention of this Department will meet in Cripple Creek, Colorado, on the 14th, 15th and 16th of June. The Convention will open at 3 p. m., Tuesday, June 14th. Open session will be given to the reading of officers' reports and seating the representatives and delegates.

II. Headquarters will be established at the National Hotel, parlor floor, where we will be glad to see all our friends.

III. Department Council will meet at Headquarters, Tuesday at 9:30 o'clock a. m., June 14th, when all business to come before the Council must be presented.

IV. The following Committee on Credentials is hereby announced: Edna E. Hamilton, Department Secretary; Hester W. Harizell, Corps No. 1; Alma Rohrig, Corps No. 23. Some members of this committee will be at Headquarters from Monday afternoon until Wednesday morning. Representatives and delegates will, as soon as they arrive, present their credentials and receive their badges.

V. The ritual, with new flag work, will be exemplified by Jas. W. Anderson Corps No. 23, Thursday afternoon, June 16th.

VI. A rate of one fare for the round trip from all points in Colorado and Wyoming on all the roads will be given. Tickets on sale June 13th and 14th going, passage limited to date of sale. Good for return to June 20th, and good only for continuous trip in either direction. Fare from Denver and return \$5.75.

VII. Hotel rates: National Hotel, \$3 per day; Palace, \$2; Collins, European plan, rooms, 75 cents to \$1 per day. Meals 25 cents and upwards; rooming houses, 50 cents to \$1; Lakota, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each, room and board. Any person desiring to engage rooms and board, will please correspond with Alice T. Smith, 401 East Bennett Avenue, chairman of locating committee, who will cheerfully answer all inquiries and secure accommodation for you. The Lakota is especially recommended as it is near Headquarters, and also the Convention hall.

VIII. Department Aides and Patriotic committees in each Corps will send report of the work done during the year to Chief Aide Ella Walsh, Fort Collins, and Sarah W. Pease, Department Patriotic Instructor, Laramie, Wyoming, by May 20th, 1898.

IX. On Wednesday evening, June 15th, the W. R. C. will hold a reception from 7:30 to 8:30, after which an interesting program will be rendered, consisting of music, speeches, etc.

X. Corps Chaplains will please be prompt with their Memorial Day reports. They must reach the Department Chaplain, Adelia C. Macauley, 311 South Tremont Street, Denver, Colorado, by June 5th, 1898.

XI. The Department Treasurer's books will close on June 1th. Orders for supplies must be sent in before that time.

XII. As our affiliation with the National Council of Women has proven a great benefit to our Order, the Corps are hereby requested to make a voluntary contribution to the National Council of Women Fund and send money through Department Treasurer Clara Rapp, Denver, Colorado.

XIII. The following are hereby appointed on the Legislative Committee: Angie Grove, Chairman, Corps No. 14; Minnie Benson, Corps No. 1; Miriam B. Clark, Corps No. 42.

XIV. The following contributions have been made since last General Orders:

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE SOUTH.

Winfield Scott No. 19.....	\$2.00	E. M. Stanton No. 37.....	\$ 2.00
Custer No. 20.....	1.00	A. J. Smith No. 31.....	1.00
Veteran No. 14.....	2.00	Pfeiffer No. 25.....	2.00
U. S. Grant No. 15.....	1.00	M. M. Crocker No. 40.....	1.00
Geo. G. Meade No. 6.....	1.00	McPherson No. 32.....	2.00
Jas. W. Anderson No. 23.....	1.00	C. W. Collins No. 13.....	1.00
Grand Junction No. 17.....	1.00		
Total, \$18.00.			

ANDERSONVILLE PRISON

W. R. C. HOME.

FUND.

Nathanfel Lyon No. 27.....	\$5.00		
Jim Bowie No. 30.....	1.25	Jim Bowie No. 30.....	\$5.00
Total	\$6.55		

XV. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the First Quarter:

Farragut No. 1.
 Upton No. 2.
 Sedgewick No. 3.
 Colorado Springs No. 4.
 T. H. Dodd No. 5.
 Geo. G. Meade No. 6.
 E. V. Sumner No. 7.
 Jas. A. Garfield No. 8.
 J. F. Reynolds No. 9.
 North Fork No. 11.
 Gunnison No. 12.
 Casper W. Collins No. 13.
 Veteran No. 14.
 U. S. Grant No. 15.
 Wadsworth No. 16.
 R. A. Cameron No. 18.
 Winfield Scott No. 19.
 Custer No. 20.

Reno No. 21.
 Mulligan No. 22.
 J. W. Anderson No. 23.
 W. T. Sherman No. 24.
 Pfeiffer No. 25.
 Geo. H. Thomas No. 26.
 Nathaniel Lyon No. 27.
 Jim Bowie No. 30.
 A. J. Smith No. 31.
 McPherson No. 32.
 Richardson No. 33.
 Major Anderson No. 35.
 E. M. Stanton No. 37.
 A. E. Burnside No. 38.
 Pike's Peak No. 39.
 M. M. Crocker No. 40.
 Geo. Washington No. 42.
 Joe Hooker No. 43.

J. C. Fremont No. 45.

XVI. Battle Mountain No. 29 of Red Cliff, lost so many members by removal from the town that they were forced to disband. This Corps in the eight years of its existence, has done good work, and the Department is sorry to lose them.

XVII. Credential cards, Quarterly reports and Form 00 reports accompany this General Order. Form 00 must be made out and returned to the Department Secretary with the Quarterly reports.

XVIII. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming extends sympathy to the Department of Illinois in the loss of that grand and useful woman, Francis Willard.

By Command of

FANNIE D. HARDIN.

Department President.

EDNA E. HAMILTON.

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING,
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.
 1515 Welton Street, DENVER, COLO. April 18, 1898.

MEMORIAL ORDERS. {
 No. 2. }

I. The steady onward march of time has brought us once more very near the day we all hold so dear, Memorial Day, with all its sad and hallowed memories, bringing with it a flood of tender recollections, prompting every member of the Woman's Relief Corps to unite with the Grand Army of the Republic on the 30th day of May in strewing flowers upon the graves of our fallen heroes. Let care be taken that no Soldier's last resting place be passed by, and while weaving wreaths for those whose solitary homes are known to us, do not forget the unknown dead; and that the graves of those buried on Southern battle fields may not be neglected, we would ask the Corps in this Department to contribute their mite and forward at once through Department Treasurer Clara Rapp, by May 5th, that it may reach the Quartermaster General of the G. A. R. in time.

MUSTERED OUT.

"Sleep, Soldier, still in honored rest,
 Your truth and valor wearing;
 The bravest are the tenderest,
 The loving are the daring."

Bear in loving remembrance also the noble band of women, who served as nurses, both on the field and in the hospitals, also those who have worn our badge, but whose work is finished; then

"Let the flags float out above them,
Let the music fill the air;
In the hearts of those who love them,
It shall echo like a prayer."

Let the children participate in these solemn services, that it may teach them patriotism and loyalty. "No sight so quickens the heart of the veteran as to see the children with their baskets of flowers at the graves of his comrades."

See to it, then, my sisters, that your Corps Chaplain has a good report to send to Headquarters. May the record be worthy this commemoration service, one that will reflect credit upon our Order.

Corps Chaplains are requested to send their reports to Department Chaplain Adelia C. Macauley, 311 South Tremont Street, Denver, Colorado, by June 8th. Blanks for which are sent with this order. Please be prompt with these reports, this being the second Memorial Day under this administration, thus giving our Chaplain double duty, and as our Convention comes the 14th, 15th and 16th of June, we wish to have the report off to the National before that time.

We are glad to note that the Associated Cycling Clubs are considering the propriety of selecting another day than the 30th of May for their Annual Race. They will not have the Road Race unless arrangements can be made with the railroad company to have the train in the afternoon. They positively state that they will not have it in the forenoon, as that will interfere with the Memorial Day exercises. We hope that the members of our Order will do all they can in their communities to discourage the holding of any entertainment that would in any way desecrate the day.

II. General Orders No. 7 will be issued as soon as rates, etc., for the Convention are settled.

By Command of

FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Official,

Department President.

EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1515 Welton Street, DENVER, COLO., June 1, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 8. }

I. In view of the fact that no official train has been designated by the Department Commander of the Grand Army, the Department President wishes to announce that as the Gulf and Midland roads are the most direct, that she and her Staff will go over these roads, and requests that as many of the various orders as can do so accompany them. The trains leave Denver as follows: One at 8:30 a. m. and arrives at Cripple Creek at 3:10 p. m. Another leaves Denver at 11:30 p. m. and arrives at Cripple at 7 a. m. We will leave Denver Monday morning, the 13th of June.

II. With General Orders No. 7 was sent Circular Letter No. 1, from the National President asking Corps to take steps at as early a date as possible to in some way create an "emergency fund" that we may be in readiness to respond to the call for aid should it come, to help the boys who have gone or who may go to the front, as well as care for the families of those men who may need help. The opportunity is offered, my Sisters, for us to show to the Nation that we are indeed a band of patriotic, loyal women. The money we have is already pledged to a sacred purpose, that of caring for the Union Veterans and their dependant ones. The letter asked, who would be first? and in response came a letter from the President of R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan, saying, "We have \$10.00 emergency fund. Call on us when you need it." Who will be the next? George G. Meade No. 6, of Denver, gave an entertainment for this purpose, the result of which has not been made known to me. This Corps was the first in the field with the abdominal protectors asked for, for our Colorado boys, who are in California now. Grand Junction and Colorado Springs also contributed, and those of you who did not have an opportunity to give before, are asked to do so now. Write for particulars to the Department Secretary, Edna E. Hamilton, 2263 Lincoln Avenue, Denver, Colorado. Colorado and Wyoming are to send more men, and let the Relief Corps in this Department prepare protectors.

III. Elbert County Relief Corps No. 29, Auxiliary to Elbert County Post, G. A. R., was organized by the Department President on May 14th with Mrs. L. J. Fahrion of Kiowa, as President.

IV. The following additional contributions have been received for Memorial Day in the South:

R. A. Cameron No. 18.....	\$1.00	Mulligan No. 22.....	\$.50
Joe Hooker No. 43.....	1.00	Upton No. 2.....	1.00
Total, \$3.50.			

V. Under the head of Committees in last General Orders two names were overlooked. Clara Rapp, committee on procuring literature for the Soldiers' Home, has done splendid work, and a letter from Colonel French, Commander of the Colorado Home, not only thanks Mrs. Rapp, but asks me to officially thank for him and the inmates of the Home, the Corps who contributed to this fund. I take this occasion of complying with his request.

Alice M. Seeds, Department Senior Vice President, was some time ago appointed Special Aide to attend to the arrangements for the W. R. C. Convention to be held in June at Cripple Creek, and as such she has rendered efficient work for us.

VI. A few copies of the Journal of the Fifteenth National Convention of the W. R. C. are left at Headquarters. Any member desiring a copy can have the same by sending twelve cents to cover the price of mailing.

VII. Any change in the delegations to the Convention must be reported to the Department Secretary immediately.

VIII. Any Department Officer having a bill for postage will please notify Headquarters at once.

IX. In closing this, my last General Order, I wish to extend to the Department Commander of the G. A. R., U. S. Hollister, my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many courtesies shown, not only to myself but to the Woman's Relief Corps, during the year we have worked together. Also to the Sons of Veterans and their Auxiliary, the Ladies' Aid Society, thanks are hereby extended. To my associates in the Order, who have so loyally supported and helped me through the year ending, my thanks are also given, and I extend to you in parting, a "God bless you all."

By Command of
Official,

FANNIE D. HARDIN,
Department President.

EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

1515 Welton St., Denver, Colo., Jan. 31, 1898.

SPECIAL ORDERS ()
No. 1. ()

~~CONFIDENTIAL - NOT TO BE DISSEMINATED~~

With sorrow we announce the death of yet another in the list of Past National Officers of the W. R. C., Mary A. Stimson. She died at her home in Gault, Missouri, August 29th, 1897. Mrs. Stimson was elected National Junior Vice President at the organization of the Woman's Relief Corps in Denver in 1883, and was at one time a member of Geo. G. Meade Corps No. 6 of Denver. She was a member of the Corps in Gault, Missouri, at the time of her death.

A noble, loyal woman, a devoted friend, an earnest, zealous advocate of the principles we are striving to perpetuate. Her loss will be deeply felt throughout the Order.

Although separated by many miles of actual distance, she was near us in thought and kept us ever in her heart, as many words of loving helpfulness, that gave hope and courage in work, bear testimony.

"To know her was to love her,
To love her, but to mourn."

While we bow submissively to the will of Him who doeth all things well, our hearts are heavy and our eyes bedimmed with tears as we lay her tenderly away to rest, for "He giveth His beloved sleep." The memory of her noble example of devotion and loyalty will be a lustrous guiding star leading us ever onward and upward in the performance of duty. "For she walked wearing the light yoke of that Lord of love who stilled the waves of Galilee."

The Corps throughout the Department are requested to drape their Charters in an appropriate manner for this National Officer, for thirty days after the receipt of this order, and to hold memorial services.

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The following deaths have been reported to us by the Department Chaplain since our last General Order:

Jane Lincoln; McPherson No. 32. Died, May 20, 1897. At the time of her death was Corps Chaplain.

Mrs. Rachel Cochran; Nathaniel Lyon No. 27. Died, Sept. 16, 1897.

Mary Adaline Markham; Geo. Washington, No. 42. Died Sept. 9, 1897.

Mrs. Anna Phillips; Reno No. 21. Died, Nov. 20, 1897.

Mrs. Effie Shirey; Geo. G. Meade No. 6. Died Jan. 1, 1898.

Mrs. Mary A. Luman; T. H. Dodd No. 5. Died, Nov. 20, 1897.

Pauline Weil Gardner; Richardson No. 23. Died, Nov. 13, 1897.

By command of

FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Official,

Department President.

MISS EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
Office of Dept. Inspector, 433 So. Pearl St., Denver, Colo.

CIRCULAR LETTER ()
No. 1. ()

I. The annual inspection of the Corps of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming will occur during the months of September, October and November.

II. Fannie D. Hardin, Department President; Alice M. Seeds, Department Senior Vice President; Ella B. Ackerman, Department Junior Vice President, will assist the Department Inspector, who will make the assignment of Corps in a future letter.

III. It is the desire of the Inspector, that so far as practicable all Corps use their regular dates, but if found necessary special meetings will be arranged.

IV. Corps Presidents are required to have the books of the Secretary and Treasurer audited before the date of inspection, and be prepared to answer all questions in connection with the work of the Corps.

By order of

HESTER W. HARTZELL,

Department Inspector.

Approved by FANNIE D. HARDIN, Department President.

Official: EDNA E. HAMILTON, Department Secretary.

A Court of Inquiry was held by Kilpatrick Corps No. 34, June 4th, 1897. Charges were preferred against Ella E. Hale for conduct unbecoming a lady and member of our Order. Charges were sustained and she was dishonorably discharged. Approved by Corps President and forwarded to Headquarters. After careful examination I hereby endorse the proceedings and the said member is dishonorably discharged this 26th day of July, 1897.

There is an unwritten law prohibiting Corps from giving any entertainment on the Sabbath day to make money. Corps throughout the Department will observe this rule.

FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Department President.

Official,

EDNA E. HAMILTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

CIRCULAR LETTER } 1515 Welton St., Denver, Colo.
No. 2. } "A Christmas Greeting." Dec. 12, 1897.

I. Christmas-tide, with its joyous season, will soon be here. The Department President and members of her staff extend to the officers and members of our Order throughout the Department best wishes for a Merry Christmas, a Christmas of peace, of good will, of happiness, of an earnest desire for the welfare of our charges; a Christmas of satisfaction because of duties performed, of hearts gladdened, of homes brightened; remembering always that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

II. With this letter I close my last message to the present officers, and I thank you all for the interest you have taken; for the work performed by you for our noble Order. I wish to especially thank you for the kind and courteous treatment of the Inspectors and myself on our recent visit to you, and we trust that you, as well as ourselves, may profit by these visits.

III. A glad welcome is extended to the officers-elect for 1898. Your responsibilities are great. The success or failure of your Corps depends upon you. May you each realize the obligation you assume. Be faithful to the work entrusted to you, and the success of your Corps is assured.

IV. Corps Presidents will please see that their quarterly reports are made out at last meeting in December, and forwarded to Department Secretary Edna E. Hamilton, 2263 Lincoln Avenue, Denver, Colorado, before the 5th of January, that their Corps may be on the Roll of Honor, and that we may have no delinquent Corps to report to the National. They will also see that the Department Chaplain is apprised of the death of any member, that she may in turn notify us, that proper mention of the same may be made in next General Orders.

V. An error in Section VI. of General Orders No. 5, is hereby corrected to read: "Or at a special meeting called for that purpose in same month."

"A Happy New Year to All."

By command of FANNIE D. HARDIN, Dept. Pres.
Official, EDNA E. HAMILTON, Dept. Sec'y.

OFFICE OF SENIOR AIDE AND CHIEF OF STAFF DEPT. COLO. AND WYO.,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

CIRCULAR LETTER } Fort Collins, Colo., January 28, 1898.

No. 3. } *Department Aide W. R. C. - MADAM:*

Having been appointed Senior Aide and Chief of Staff, by Fannie D. Hardin, Department President, it becomes a part of my duty to outline such work as we desire you to do. The President has tried to make it plain in General Orders, but many of the Aides do not yet understand what is expected of them. You are respectfully requested to do all in your power to bring in new members, look up the delinquent ones in your own Corps and get them back, (the Corps Treasurer will furnish you with a list,) visit as many Corps in your immediate vicinity

as you can. If you have any friends in a Post having no Auxiliary, write them and urge the advisability of having one. Seek to be useful in every way not only to your own Corps, but to the G. A. R. Posts. Aid them in perpetuating Memorial Day. Let us with patriotic fidelity preserve its beautiful, impressive ceremonies and protest against all diversions inconsistent with the sacred services held in honor of our National dead.

Keep a record of the visits you have or may yet make; let us by our individual work and united efforts, prove that we not only appreciate the honor conferred upon us by our President, but that we are willing to work for the principles of our noble Order. I trust that an acquaintance will be formed through our official relations, that will lead to a warm personal friendship between us, and that we will all meet face to face at our next Annual Convention to be held at Cripple Creek some time in June next. We have only a short time left to work, and as my report must be ready by May 20th, I earnestly urge you to be prompt in sending in your reports. Let us do all in our power to increase our membership roll by the last of March so that the administration of which we are members, will be proud of our work. Yours in F. C. and L.,

ELLA WALSH,

Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

Approved: FANNIE D. HARDIN, Department President.

Official: MISS EDNA E. HAMILTON, Department Secretary.

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Corps President—Mary A. Reece.*

Past Corps Presidents—Mina Sanford, Anna Rickabaugh, Lucinda
Smith, Laura Mason, Carrie V. Donaldson, Ella Weppeler, Millie
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Delegates—Electa E. Bell.*

Alternate—Kate Ellis.

SEDGWICK CORPS, No. 3, Durango.

Corps President—Lizzie N. Hansen.

Past Corps Presidents—Mary A. West, E. Helen Tiffany, Anna M.
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Delegates—Maggie Gogartz, Sybilla P. Dick.*

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Corps President—Lydia Ellison.*

Past Corps Presidents—Ella L. C. Dwinell, Lucy Wheeler, Fred-
ericka Langmeyer, Louise Sherman, Irene De Tolliver,* Ellen B.
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Delegates—Marion Hall,* Emma Ormsby,* Jennie Dunnington,*
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Alternates—Hattie Allen, Annie Price, Mary Works, Ruth Dana.

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Corps President—Eliza Peters.*

Past Corps Presidents—Charlotte Coe,* Mary A. Eldridge,* Sarah
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Delegates—Anna Luman,* Mary Frear.*

Alternates—Rose Barron, Ada Gilford.

GEORGE G. MEADE CORPS, No. 6, Denver.

Corps President - Frances Kirkpatrick.*

Past Corps Presidents--America Anderson,* Frances Klock,* Parthenia McBeth,* Fannie D. Hardin,* Lida E. Dunnagan,* Stella Newman,* Mary Godfrey, Maggie Hutchinson,* Carrie Phillips, Anna M. Miller,* Nancy Cowell, Carrie Carpenter.*

Delegates--Eloise Lechow,* Laura Wilson,* Ella M. Byers,* Fannie Ames.*

Alternates--Rhoda Scott, Hannah Starbird, Lillian Brockway, Sarah Inman.

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Corps President--Henrietta Greenlaw.

Past Corps Presidents - Susie J. Searle,* Nettie Harker, Maria Wolfcott, Hattie Bunn, Jennie Paddock, Etta Brodie, Kate McCarty.*

Delegates--Anna Amberson, Hannah Rivers, Julia Graves.*

Alternates--Marian Aplin, Maud Williams,* Angie Johnson.*

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Corps President - Lena Buchner.*

Past Corps Presidents--Hattie E. Cowhick, Theresa A. Jenkins,* Mary A. Hader,* Sadie M. Fisher,* Bertha Meyers, Kate McCabe.

Delegates--Louisa O. Artist, Harriet L. Argesheimer.

Alternates--Anna Fosdick, Minnie Haas.

NORTH FORK CORPS, No. 11, Hotchkiss.

Corps President--Nellie E. Barrow.

Past Corps President - Mary A. Miller.

Delegates--Mary A. Miller, Ida Slotten.

Alternates--Laura Wilnot, Linda Reynolds.

GUNNISON CORPS, No. 12, Gunnison.

Corps President--Jennie Marsh.

Past Corps Presidents--Jessie Sharp Purrier, Emma Martin, Sarah Williams, Laura Miller, Nellie M. Crump, Fanny Bray Whipp.

Delegates - Alma Wegener, Mary E. Gordon.

Alternates - Emma F. Nelson, L. Rogers.

CASPER W. COLLINS CORPS, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.

Corps President - Mary L. Jennings.

Past Corps Presidents - Minnie E. Kingsford,* Hannah E. Stuver.

Delegates - Marian E. Kelley,* Rose Edwards.*

Alternates--Anne I. Thompson, Matilda Ryan.

VETERAN CORPS, No. 14, Denver.

Corps President - Angie C. Grove.*

Past Corps Presidents - Janette L. Todd,* Emily R. Cohen, Persis Arnold,* Edith M. Newland,* Emma Johnson,* Mecca Chester, Lucy Langdell,* Sally Essington,* Olive C. Butler,* Dorcas Hassan.*

Delegates - Mary J. Fraine,* Anna McIlvaine,* Emma Collins.*

Alternates - Jennie Holmes, Clara Mahoney, Emma Ried.

U. S. GRANT CORPS, No. 15, Greeley.

Corps President Nettie Lucas.*

Past Corps Presidents - Emily H. Jones, Sarah A. Hogarty, Climena G. Howard,* Jennie G. Harper, Josephine A. Cheeseman,* Lucy J. Dresser,* Annie B. Sanborn, Kate E. Hanna, Clementine S. Hawes,* Esther H. Randolph,* Theresa C. Welch, Elizabeth R. Clark.*

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Alternates--Libbie Watson, Florence N. Bradfield.*

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Corps President Emma J. Fenslon.

Past Corps Presidents - Annie S. Burr, Flora J. Hall, Mary A. Guthrie, Carrie E. Price.

Delegates--Emma Godding,* Delia Badger.

Alternates--Nellie Guthrie, Ella Albert.

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Corps President--Hettie Rundel.

Past Corps Presidents --Ella B. Ackerman, Adelia Dittman, Ida M. Fallis, Elizabeth Bartlett, Amy Young,* Mary Jewett Telford.*

Delegates--Ida M. Fallis,* Lizzie Dickerson.

Alternates--Elizabeth Foreman, Margaret Hoover.

R. A. CAMERON CORPS, No. 18, Fort Morgan.

Corps President--Clara Gilbertson.

Past Corps Presidents - Matilda Hotchkiss,* Hattie Otis, Arabella C. Johnson.*

Delegates--Pearl Ashton,* Christine Nelson.*

Alternates--Mattie Baker, Helen N. Baker.

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Corps President--Lizzie McDonald.*

Past Corps Presidents - Annie McKnight, Gwendoline Powell, Olive E. Bacon, Mary Youngson, Lovenia Hart.

Delegates - Julia Watson,* Minnie MatGee.

Alternates--Olive E. Bacon, Mary Youngson.

CUSTER CORPS, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.

Corps President--M. A. Kinnear.

Past Corps Presidents - Sarah M. Pease, Adda Ulen, Lida E. Fitch, Anna Bristol, Anna B. Holliday, Olivia Peale, Maria Baillie, Mary E. Ingersoll, Mary P. Yund, Ann E. Woodward, Phoebe Gearhart.

Delegates--S. E. Gardinier,* Hattie E. Huston.

Alternates--M. A. Wright,* Charlotte Brandis.

RENO CORPS, No. 21, Denver.

Corps President - Minnie Macarey.*

Past Corps Presidents - Ida Critchell,* Lucy M. Capron.

Delegates--Mary E. Mayo,* Leora Macarey,* Maria Rose.*

Alternates - Ruth McGill, Mira Woods, Charlotte Tanner.

MULLIGAN CORPS, No. 22, Springfield.

Corps President - Mary E. Robertson.

Past Corps President - Mary E. Cole.

Delegate--Julia Whittaker.

Alternate-- Clara Smart.

J. W. ANDERSON CORPS, No. 23, Cripple Creek.

Corps President-- Annie B. Leimberger.*

Past Corps Presidents - Alice M. Seeds,* Loretta E. Mummah,
Stella A. Kyle,* Alice T. Smith.*

Delegates - Mary A. Healy,* Olive McKee,* Alice Hatfield, Laura
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Alternates--Bessie S. Wilcox, Emma Hughes, Jennie Withers,
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Corps President-- Gertrude M. Flint.

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Delegate--Sarah E. Parker.

Alternate--Edna M. Evves.

PFEIFFER CORPS, No. 25, Alamosa.

Corps President - Amelia Gerteison.

Past Corps Presidents - Addie Miller, Sadie Simons.

Delegate--Mary Jane Cole.*

Alternate-- Mable Worcester.

GEORGE H. THOMAS CORPS, No. 26, Fort Collins.

Corps President - Isabel Woods.

Past Corps Presidents - Olivia L. Mandeville, Sarah B. C. Stephen-
son,* Elmore Baker, Ida E. Seckner, Ella Walsh, Mary A. Weidman,
Irene McLain.*

Delegates - Hattie Buss,* Minnie McLain,* Eliza Harrington.*

Alternates - Hannah King, Lucy Beach, Lucinda Miller.*

NATHANIEL LYON CORPS, No. 27, Boulder.

Corps President - Irene B. Cowie.*

Past Corps Presidents - M. Berwick Anderson, Laura S. Dodge, Isa
E. Crosby, Emma D. Adams, Kathrine O'Brien, Virginia M. Feeney,
Clara L. Whitney, Mary E. Ullmer,* Eliza J. Norton,* Marion Sutton.*

Delegates - Sarah A. Rosier,* Etta Coan,* Drusia Simmers,* Jennie
Safely.*

Alternates--Fannie Dickey, Lucy S. Norton, Mary Crees.

ELLSWORTH CORPS, No. 28, Central City.

Corps President - Elizabeth Young.

4 Past Corps President - Pauline Ashbaugh.

Delegates - Belle Richart,* Agnes Lorah, Libbie McLeod, Kate
McRae.

Alternates - Lizzie Clark, Carrie McLeod, Mamie Rowe, Maud
Williams.

ELBERT COUNTY CORPS, No. 29, Elizabeth.

Corps President - L. J. Fahrion.*
Past Corps President - L. J. Fahrion.
Delegates—Olive A. Killin,* Ella P. Stem.*
Alternates—Alice Blazer, Lillie F. Barkley.

JIM BOWIE CORPS, No. 30, Amethyst.

Corps President—Jennie Woodruff.*
Past Corps President - Jennie Woodruff.
Delegate—Jennie Osgood.
Alternate—Meda Burroughs.

A. J. SMITH CORPS, No. 31, Florence.

Corps President—Ella Wayne.*
Past Corps Presidents—Anna E. Babbitt,* Ellen Wayne.*
Delegate—Anna Hurst.*
Alternate—Jennie Gordon.

McPHERSON CORPS, No. 32, Longmont.

Corps President—Elizabeth Williams.
Past Corps Presidents—Mary L. Carr, Orphie E. Bacon, Eva G. Coffin, Mary E. Smith, Emily F. Beckwith, Belle Abbott,* Sarah J. Richart, Mary A. Sebern.
Delegates—Sarah E. Hinman,* Maria A. Gregory.*
Alternates—Olive Dye, Charlotte Epperson.

RICHARDSON CORPS, No. 33, Las Animas.

Corps President—Hattie Culver.*
Past Corps Presidents—Daisy Burke, Amanda E. Weil.
Delegates—Leah Johnston, Rachel W. Clarke.
Alternates—Almeda Hardy, Hannah Slusser.

KILPATRICK CORPS, No. 34, La Junta.

Corps President—Jennie J. Ferrell.
Past Corps Presidents—Hattie E. Davis, Nellie E. Brooker, Helen Manley, Catherine Jones, Sarah E. Decker, Jennie J. Ferrel, Maggie M. Lane, Emma Bradley.
Delegate—Sadie Miller.
Alternate—Maggie M. Lane.

MAJOR ANDERSON CORPS, No. 35, Arvada.

Corps President—Amanda E. Graham.
Past Corps Presidents—Mary Johnson,* Clara M. Greene.
Delegate—A. A. Jaynes.
Alternate—Jane B. Johns.

AKRON CORPS, No. 36, Akron.

Corps President—Ella E. Derby.
Past Corps Presidents—Nellie L. Bailey, Martha M. Aitkins, Glenn Langley, Ella E. Derby.

E. M. STANTON CORPS, No. 37, Salida.

Corps President—Anna Tenbroeck.

Past Corps Presidents—Elizabeth C. Smith, Margaret C. Delo,
Lydia McDole, Delia F. Buell.*

Delegates—Mary Warner, Anna Amberson.*

Alternates—Melia Newton, Mary Trichter.

A. E. BURNSIDE CORPS, No. 38, Loveland.

Corps President—Ella Wilson.

Past Corps President—Mary E. Phelps.

Delegate—Mrs. Salts.

Alternate—Mrs. Bennett.

PIKE'S PEAK CORPS, No. 39, Manitou.

Corps President—Mary J. Broughton.*

Past Corps Presidents—Irene Elerick, Kate L. Sahrbeck.*

6. Delegate—Lou Baker.*

Alternate—Malania Lowther.

M. M. CROCKER CORPS, No. 40, Denver.

Corps President—Alice A. Easton.*

Past Corps Presidents—Lucy M. Campbell,* Emma C. Scrivner,*
Minna Rischie, Sarah E. Waldo,* Edna H. Perry,* Eleanor C. Brown.*

Delegates—Minnie M. Bond,* Mary Kram.*

Alternates—Frances M. Tisdale, Emma B. Hobart.

VICTOR CORPS, No. 41, Victor.

Corps President—Hannah R. Johnson.*

Past Corps Presidents—Hannah R. Johnson, Camella S. Fair,
Josephine B. Mays, Mary E. Campbell, Margaret Appel.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CORPS, No. 42, Denver.

Corps President—Debra Moser.*

Past Corps Presidents—Carrie Russell,* Debra Moser, Margaretta
Kauffman,* Mariam B. Clark, Celestia Barker.*

Delegate—Carrie Coggeshall.*

Alternate—Mary T. Simmons.

JOE HOOKER CORPS, No. 43, Monte Vista.

Corps President—Alice B. Cheney.

Past Corps Presidents—Eliza F. Sickles, Effie V. B. Aldrich, Belle
M. Packard.

Delegates—Lillie V. Bishop, Mary E. Corlett.

Alternates—Royena L. Winter, Clara M. Bonner.

JOHN C. FREMONT CORPS, No. 45, Littleton.

Corps President—Ida A. Eagleton.

Past Corps Presidents—Jennie Chapman,* Dora Horton, Inez B.
Hill,* M. E. Cozens.

Delegate—Lottie A. Abbott.*

Alternate—Jennie Misner.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Fifteenth Annual Convention
Woman's Relief Corps.

The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, was called to order at 9:30 a. m., in Odd Fellows' Hall, 1543 Champa street, Denver, May 3rd, 1899.

The Department President, Lucy M. Campbell, stated that the Credential Committee was not ready to report, and asked the pleasure of the Convention.

Moved by Fannie D. Hardin, seconded by Miss Sadie M. Fisher, that the Convention remain in open session until after the reading of the President's address. Carried.

Miss Edna Hamilton acted as pianist for Tuesday and Wednesday, and Miss Alice T. Smith for the last day.

The President appointed as Conductors for the first day, Minnie L. Benson and Minnie M. Bond. Color Bearers for the entire session, Ellen Pierce, Emma B. Hobart, Georgia Bunn and Ida Ault.

Guard and Assistant, Louise Harding and Charlotte Moore. To all of whom the President returned the sincere thanks of the Convention at its close.

The National President, Mrs. Flo J. Miller, and her daughter, Miss Zola, were escorted to the platform and introduced, and they remained the honored guests of the Convention during the sessions. Alice Seeds, Eliza LeFever and Mrs. Amanda Olmsted, National Aides, Mrs. Jennie

McGill Assistant National Inspector, and the Past Presidents, Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, America Anderson, Olimena G. Howard, Janette L. Todd, and Fannie D. Hardin, together with the Department Presidents, Staff and Aides, were also presented. After which the Convention listened with delight to the welcome by Mrs. Ellen Pierce, of M. M. Crocker, No. 40, of Denver. Her address was as follows:

Mrs. President and members of the Fifteenth Annual Convention, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic:

It is with a proud heart I stand here this morning, fully appreciating the honor conferred in being chosen to extend to you the fraternal greetings. Denver bids you a royal welcome within her gates.

The Woman's Relief Corps of Denver extends to you a cordial welcome. The Grand Army of the Republic welcome you as their true Auxiliary, and all loyal women of Denver welcome you with open hearts and hands. I feel doubly honored when I consider that to me has been allotted the privilege of bidding you welcome to the birth-place of our Grand Order.

Where find a more fitting place than here. Nearly in the shadows of the grand old Rockies, that lift their sunny crests toward heaven, was organized the noblest band of women the sun ever shone upon. They are banded together with the jeweled bands of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty; banded together to care for the old Veteran and his dependent ones, who never appeals to us in vain, knowing full well he will have the aid and sympathy of the noble women of our Order in whatsoever he may need. The Woman's Relief Corps are standing to-day with their mantle of Charity, that is broad enough to cover all failings, when the tender words "He was an Old Soldier" gleams from its white folds.

To our Order has been given the sacred trust of caring for these comrades who brought back "Old Glory" without one pure star dimmed on its azure field, and made it

possible for that starry banner to float on high over a free people, over a United States.

When we gaze upon the remnant of "Our Boys in Blue" note the empty sleeve, the faltering step, the silvered locks; see them marching on to join the Grand Army of Comrades gone before, the eyes fill with tears, and the heart throbs with love and tenderness for those left a little longer to our care, and we consecrate ourselves anew to this our crowning life work.

There is a sorrowful side to these Conventions, the missing of familiar faces; they have gone out in the gray shadows never to return.

We meet on Memorial Day bearing our beautiful tributes of flower garlands, woven with the memories of the old days filling our minds. The buds and the blossoms are wet with our tears, and those of a grateful nation, as we tenderly strew them over the graves of our soldier dead, and we realize they are not all here.

The low green mounds of our heroes are scattered all over this broad land, many of them marked by the pathetic word "Unknown," but never forgotten by the women of the Relief Corps.

"The laurel wreath of glory,
That decks a Soldier's grave
Is but the finished story
The record of the brave."

I look over this Convention and see many strange faces, but as my eye falls upon our loved badge I know you all. Once again, welcome to Denver, beautiful Denver, noted for her hospitality, called the "Queen City of the Plains," the City of Conventions, but this, the one Convention so dear to the hearts of our patriotic people.

May this Fifteenth Annual Convention ever remain as a bright spot in the memory of each is the sincere wish of the Woman's Relief Corps of Denver. Mrs. President, I thank you for this honor, and ladies for your kind attention.

The response was made by Miss Minnie McLain of George H. Thomas Corps, No. 26, of Ft. Collins, which also held the attention of the Convention.

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Convention:

It becomes my pleasant duty in behalf of the visiting Corps of this Department, to thank you for the cordial greetings which have been extended to us by the Corps of this city, especially M. M. Crocker Corps. When the Department President honored me by requesting me to answer this kind address of welcome, I wished for a tongue to express golden thoughts that I might assure you of our full appreciation of the courtesies extended to us. I am sure I voice the sentiment of each member of this Convention when I say the welcome you have given us to your city is royal. You have opened your doors, and hearts and received us most hospitably. Many of you I have never seen before, but I am sure each one present feels with me, when I say we are not strangers, but friends, even though we meet for the first time.

I am thankful for this organization which bands us together to help those who fought so nobly for our country, and to whom we are under lasting obligations; we should all be thankful for a thoroughly reunited country.

Though thirty years have elapsed since the close of the bloody strife, complete harmony has not existed, yet to-day only the scars remain, and from one end of our bright land to the other we are united.

The war cloud which hung so heavily over our land has united North and South in the bonds of brotherhood. We now sing with a full heart, "Our Country 'Tis of Thee," and hear the echo from the Atlantic to the Pacific from the true hearts of our country's brave defenders.

I am impressed with the spirit of our Order, which holds us together with so much power. May it never desert us; may the spirit of love bind us with an everlasting chain, may it brood over this Convention as a tender mother over her babe, and the influence not only reach over this city, but rest on each Corps of this Department, thus strengthening and enabling each member for another year's work. May Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty reign in each heart. And now in closing, let me again thank you in behalf of the Convention for your most cordial welcome.

At the conclusion of this response the President called the Senior-Vice to the chair, and proceeded to read her address.

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

Officers and members of the Fifteenth Department Convention:

Time, in its ceaseless flight has again brought us to another Annual Convention, to render an account of the year's work just closed, and to legislate for the future welfare of our beloved Order. May it be done wisely and well. In the name of the Department I bid you welcome. Less than a year ago when I was elected to the responsible position of Department President, it was with some fear and yet with pride that I accepted the distinguished honor; for I do deem it a special honor to be chosen the leader of a band of women whose object is "To assist the Grand Army of the Republic and its dependent ones," and when I assumed the sacred obligation of the office, I promised you, with the help of Him who reigns on high, and with the assurance of your loyal support, I would serve you to the very best of my ability, and daily have I tried to fulfill that promise. In such a measure as I have succeeded, it has been by the aid and encouragement of the efficient associate officers whom the Fourteenth Annual Convention so wisely elected. You will find the detailed reports of each filled with interesting matter, and I heartily commend them to your careful consideration. I here wish to express my appreciation for their services, and I feel gratified that we have unitedly labored for the grand cause of our Order.

GROWTH OF THE ORDER.

Although there has been but a small gain in members, or Corps instituted, I can say there is an increased interest among our members. Corps No. 41 was instituted at Victor, Colorado, January 5th, with twenty-two charter members, and applications have been sent to three other points. I had hoped to have added them to our roll before Convention, but by some delay, I must transfer them to

my successor. One great difficulty has been the cost of supplies in our smaller towns, but that has now been removed by the National by issuing cheaper books, and I look for a prosperous year, and that many new Corps may be added to our list.

I do not consider that it is the number of Corps in the Department that tells the strength, but we should be counted by the harmony that exists, the relief extended and the lessons of patriotism taught.

That as the relief fund is held sacred to assist only the old soldier and his dependent ones, our members should fully explain the objects of the Order to those seeking admission.

DISBANDED CORPS.

We report two. The fourth quarter of 1898 I received a letter from General Shelds, No. 10, asking the privilege of retaining their charter, as they were anxious to hold the Corps together if possible. The request was cheerfully granted, but at the end of the quarter they decided to disband, which was done in proper form by paying per capita tax and with a request for seven transfer cards.

It is also with regret that I announce the surrendering of the charter of one of our oldest corps, E. V. Sumner, of Silver Cliff, the first quarter of 1899, there having been but few members and little interest in the work.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

It was my earnest desire to have visited more of the Corps than I have been able to do, but owing to the low condition of our treasury and not at all times able to secure transportation, I combined my visits with the work of inspection. In doing this I was enabled to visit many of the Corps that were remote from headquarters. I regret that I could not respond to the many kind invitations that I have received; each and all will be remembered with pleasure. The Corps that are so far away from all of the privileges of not even having the benefit of a friendly visit from another Corps, are to be commended on their work and the interest sustained. While I was at Las Animas

my attention was called to the case of an old Grand Army man and his wife, who were being cared for by the local Corps of that place. The husband had applied for admission to the National Soldiers' Home at Ft. Leavenworth and had been admitted. The Corps was somewhat at a loss to know what disposition to make of the wife, and upon my recommendation an application was made to the National W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio, to admit her to that institution. The papers admitting her have been properly approved and endorsed and the same forwarded to her, but the same mail that carried those papers also carried a letter from the Ft. Leavenworth Soldiers' Home announcing the death of her husband. This is only one case where the veteran and wife must be separated; therefore, I would recommend that this convention take some action whereby cottages may be established in this Department for the old comrade and his wife.

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

The very capable manner in which the relief work has been conducted leaves no room for criticism. Such zeal, such constant attention to duty could emanate only from those whose whole hearts were in the work. We may all be proud of the record they have made this year, and I am sure we are all grateful to them, and to Mrs. Ella M. Byers, the chairman, who has superintended this work so nobly, always faithful and ever on the alert to extend aid in our behalf when needed. She has been a conscientious officer, and we know the graceful deeds and kind words with which she cheered the unfortunate could be prompted only by a nature that was thoroughly charitable.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The W. R. C. were most cordially invited by the Department Commander to accompany the comrades on the official train to Cincinnati. Fifteen members accepted and the trip was enjoyed by all. Every delegate that was elected at the Department Convention at Cripple Creek attended the National Convention, and remained at every session until the final tap of the gavel that closed the Six-

teenth National Convention. I wish to express my thanks to Commander May for the free use of headquarters, where our banner was unfurled and admired by many.

SOLDIERS' HOMES.

Early in the year I wrote to the commanders of the Homes asking what could be done by the Relief Corps of the Department that would be of the most assistance. The commander of the Wyoming Home replied, saying their greatest need was overcoats. The Colorado Home asked for literature. In my next order I asked for donations for both cases, and the response was most liberal.

By an invitation of the legislative committee, I was enabled to visit the Colorado Home in company with other members of the Relief Corps and of the Grand Army. This Home has been described many times by others much more able, and I need add nothing to what has been said in that direction. We found the institution in an exceedingly prosperous condition under the efficient management of Colonel French, whom every one of the one hundred and sixty-one inmates love and respect. We were entertained royally by those old comrades, and were invited to dine with them, which invitation was accepted and enjoyed.

The recent death of Mrs. Hattie M. French was keenly felt by every one at the Home, who, as the beloved matron, had daily carried the kindly greetings, and by her womanly tenderness and sympathy had endeared herself to every member of the Home.

By an invitation of the Department Commander, the Department Secretary of the W. R. C. and myself visited the Wyoming Home. It is situated in a lovely spot in the city of Cheyenne, easy of access, and is a home in the true sense which the name implies. The twenty-five inmates are contented and well cared for under the able management of Commander Stitzer and wife.

National Inspector of Soldiers' Homes, Colonel E. F. Brown, of Hartford, Conn., in speaking of the Wyoming Home, says: "I consider this a model home, as its size and completeness indicate, being the smallest, and I may

say most perfect of any of the Homes, state or national. The friends of the disabled soldiers living in the eastern and older states may have perfect confidence that those who have left them and pushed their fortunes, pioneer fashion, to the far west and located in the state of Wyoming, will be provided for if at any time their circumstances demand it."

COMMITTEES.

Knowing of the efficiency of the former work of Mrs. Clara Rapp in securing literature for the Soldiers' Homes, I asked her to take charge of the same again this year, which she kindly consented to do, and the manner in which this work has been accomplished merits only words of the highest commendation.

In accordance with decision five of the Fourteenth Department Convention, I appointed a committee of nine to work with a like committee of the Grand Army to use their influence in the removal of the Soldiers' Home from Monte Vista to Golden, Colo. Every endeavor has been put forth by this committee towards its removal, but the General Assembly did not seem inclined to heed our entreaties. A full report will be given by the chairman of the work they have undertaken.

FINANCES.

On account of our state of finances the strictest economy has been observed. Through the kind interest which Commander W. T. S. May has ever evinced for our Order, I was granted many privileges in the way of transportation, thereby enabling me to visit more than I could have done otherwise, and I am pleased to say we have added a little to our Department funds.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The official correspondence has been large and we have tried to give it careful attention. Over eleven hundred letters have been sent out from headquarters. Many "decisions" have been given, but in nearly all cases were covered by Rules and Regulations.

NATIONAL STANDARD.

I have endeavored to increase an interest in the official paper of this Department by urging Corps to subscribe and by sending local items. I would suggest that every Corps take this paper and let us hear from you frequently. I most certainly think it would increase our interest in each other, and THAT would benefit our Order.

PATRIOTIC TEACHING.

A detailed report will be given by Mrs. Ella Wayne, Department patriotic instructor, who has had full charge of that part of our work this year. I would recommend that each Corps purchase a copy of the "Chart of the Declaration of Independence," and place it in their schools. The cost is nominal, and it would be instructive to every pupil.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This administration not having a Memorial Day, our report will necessarily be brief.

No day presents a deeper significance than Memorial Day. Very soon, e'er many years roll by, the placing of garlands of flowers and wreaths of evergreens upon the lowly mounds will have to be relegated to the sons and daughters of veterans.

The angel of death, with its dark shadows, has entered many of our homes during the past year. Among the number has been two of our Past Department chaplains, Mrs. Christine Thornton, of Pike's Peak Corps, and Mrs. America Whist, of Veteran Corps. Many of the Corps have reported the death of some loved member that has been a faithful worker.

On Saturday, April 22d, 1899, our beloved Past Department president, Mary L. Carr, was called to mourn the death of her husband, Byron L. Carr, Past Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, whose death occurred at Mineral Wells, Texas, where he had gone in search of health. The sympathy of this Department is extended to our bereaved Past President and family.

SONS OF VETERANS.

These boys are not only filling the places of their fathers by inheritance, but in the full sense of another war, for many of our Sons of Veterans have gone to the front and they will fully realize the importance of their organization, and with their auxiliary society many good deeds are expected in future years.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

With a heart filled with gratitude it is impossible for me to adequately thank those who have been so much help, and so much strength, to me in the year just passed. Although my work has been a labor of love, not as much could have been accomplished had it not been for the words of encouragement and cheer I have met on all sides. I shall greatly miss your letters and your constant companionship that have grown so dear to me, but I know you will continue loyal and zealous to our Order in the future as you have in the past.

I wish to thank the members of my official staff for their help. Their services have been invaluable, both individually and collectively. I desire to especially mention the many favors extended to me by the Commander, Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General of the Grand Army. I also most heartily thank Mrs. Alice M. Seeds for the kindly assistance in establishing the Corps at Victor, and to all who so loyally entertained me at their homes would I remember. Their hospitality will ever remain as a bright spot in life's memory. To the National officers, who have remembered me with their kind letters, I am most grateful.

To my own home Corps, M. M. Crocker, do I extend my warmest thanks for the many gracious acts of kindness. Words are but feint to express my gratitude. Right nobly have they supported me,—THEY accepting the honor of having the highest office of the Department bestowed upon one of their members.

Mistakes have been made, but they were errors of judgment, for I need not remind you that your welfare has been my constant thought.

There is a sad note in the word farewell, and in extending mine to you, and in laying down the work of this Department, I do so, trusting that my successor will ever meet with the same kindness and encouragement that I have received. I am ever and always yours in

Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department President.

After the President's address was read and referred to the committee, the convention was seated according to numbers, and the organization was perfected. The pass-word was taken, followed by the Lord's prayer, and the regular order of business begun.

The President announced her committees, in as far as she was able, many being absent necessitating making some changes.

COMMITTEES.

President's Address:

Janette L. Todd.....Denver
Climena G. Howard.....Greeley
Ida Critchell.....Denver

Senior-Vice President's Report:

Ella Wayne.....Florence
Jennie Chapman.....Littleton
Mary E. Condit.....Denver

Junior-Vice President's Report:

Mary E. Ullmer.....Boulder
Debra Moser.....Denver
Susie J. Searle.....Leadville

Secretary's Report:

Alice M. Seeds.....Cripple Creek
Helen Eldridge.....Denver
Lou Baker.....Manitou

Treasurer's Report:

Margelia Hamilton.....Denver
Miss Sadie M. Fisher.....Cheyenne
Katie Sahrbeck.....Manitou

Chaplain's Report:

Ida DeLange.....Denver
Emma Johnson.....Denver
Carrie Brisack.....Pueblo

Counselor's Report:

Irene McLain.....Ft. Collins
Jennie Woodruff.....Amethyst
Mary A. Reece.....Pueblo

Inspector's Report:

Alice T. Smith.....Cripple Creek
Franc Rice.....Denver
Ellen Wheatley.....Longmont

I. and I. Officer's Report:

Jennie McGill.....	Denver
Nettie Lucas.....	Greeley
Sybilla Dick.....	Durango

Patriotic Instructor's Report:

Charlotte Coe.....	Golden
Helen Buechner.....	Cheyenne
Marie Gregory.....	Longmont

Report of Press Correspondent:

Irene B. Cowie.....	Boulder
Isabel L. Woods.....	Ft. Collins
Frances Kirkpatrick.....	Denver

Report of Chairman of Department Relief:

Persis Arnold.....	Denver
Emma B. Ormsby.....	Pueblo
Lizzie McDonald.....	Aspen

Report of Delegate-at-Large:

Lydia C. Young.....	Evans
Matilda J. Hotchkiss.....	Ft. Morgan
Olive C. Butler.....	Denver

Report of Chief Aide:

Emma Godding.....	Rocky Ford
Ida M. Fallis.....	Grand Junction
Hattie Culver.....	Las Animas

Committee on Courtesies and Telegrams:

Fannie D. W. Hardin.....	Denver
Clementine S. Hawes.....	Greeley
Marian Kelley.....	Rawlins

Committee on Legislative Report:

Frances Klock.....	Denver
Parthenia McBeth.....	Denver
Libbie K. Daniels.....	Denver

Report of Senior-Vice President.

OFFICE OF DEPT. SENIOR-VICE PRESIDENT,

RAWLINS, WYO., April 30, 1899.

Mrs. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Dear Madam:—In compliance with Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit my report as Department Senior-Vice President, Woman's Relief Corps, for the year ending April 30, 1899.

I am grateful to the members of the Fourteenth Annual Convention for the confidence reposed in me, as manifested in my election to my present office. I remember I pledged to them my best efforts to advance the interests of our beloved Order; and heartily I have tried to redeem my pledge. But though my zeal has been unceasing, the work accomplished is as nothing compared to that which still remains to be done. I have ever held myself ready to perform what-

ever duty has been assigned me, and to perform it so far as possible in a conscientious manner.

It has been my great pleasure to visit twice the Wyoming State Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, and to become acquainted with some of the veterans. At each visit I was invited to dine with the comrades and was most delightfully entertained. Owing to the great distance, I have been obliged to forego the pleasure of visiting the Monte Vista Home, and hope that before another year we shall have this Home removed to a more accessible location.

Several times this year it has been my privilege to visit Sister Corps—one of which is a detached corps. To us who are accustomed to department officers, these detached corps seem like orphans, having no department mother to nourish and strengthen them. But they are not neglected by the great National mother, whose heart is large enough for all her children; and these detached corps are untiring in their work of caring for the soldier and his dependent ones.

The greatest pleasure, perhaps, of the year, was the work of inspection. Twelve Corps were assigned me as my part in this work. I left my home on the morning of November 10th hoping to finish the work and return home in time for Thanksgiving dinner. Owing to some trifling hindrances, however, I was delayed, and but for the kindness of our Department president, who inspected three Corps for me, I should have been disappointed. I was most royally entertained all along my trip, and enjoyed meeting so many Corps workers. I found that the Corps whose membership is small, are not always the weak Corps. Some of them have few members, but the few they have are enthusiastic enough to ride ten miles to a meeting; do their work lovingly and cheerfully, and wish they might do more to aid and comfort the "boys who wore the blue."

I have been in correspondence with the G. A. R., or, where there is no G. A. R. Post, with old soldiers in three different Wyoming towns, where I feel sure there ought to be loyal women enough to organize a Relief Corps. From one Post commander I received a courteous letter, thanking me for my interest in the old soldier, and stating that at present he thought that there was no hope of organizing. From another, a newspaper notice, stating that I was going to organize a Woman's Relief Corps in that town, was my only reply. I have written since, but have received no further word. From the third place I received no reply; but at present we have a good live member of Custer Corps residing there, and through her I hope to arouse the interest necessary to organize. I shall continue to write to each of these places from time to time, and shall hope to report three new Corps for Wyoming.

Very much to my regret, I have been unable to attend many of the Council meetings, owing to the distance of my home from headquarters.

And, now, dear Mrs. President, in submitting this report, may I say that my desire has been, in all things pertaining to the duties assigned me, to have your approval.

For all your kindness and consideration, I thank you.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,
Department Senior-Vice President

Report of Junior-Vice President.

FT. MORGAN, April 25, 1899.

HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM In making our report as Junior-Vice President, as required by Rules and Regulations, we are reminded that during the year just closing, all soldiers have been called to duty. Some to the front in the din of battle, others in camps of preparation, or at home planning aid and succor for sick and distressed ones. We are proud that some small part of the labor has fallen on us, and as we meet again, to gather up the threads, and knot them into strong ties binding us more closely in F., C. and L., we regret that our part in the great work has been so small; we hope that the "mustard seed shall have become a mountain at the grand roll-call." It was our pleasant duty to spend a week with the Denver Corps, inspecting three of them, and visiting the fourth, which was a delight. Meade is active, and industrious, and ever alert to find and succor those in need; Crocker in the heat of battle, striving for perfection in friendly rivalry; Reno taking front rank in all good work, each an inspiration to feeble ones, a stronghold to those in service, while our visit to Veteran completed the quartette of good things. The latter part of November found us in Akron in the limits of the "Dryland," where we found a faithful few keeping up the struggle to hold their charter against many odds, determined and united. The Department President inspected our Corps, and we had the pleasure of entertaining her, where in the evening she received the members of the Post and Corps.

I have attended three council meetings. Outside of our own Corps our labors have not been arduous, nor protracted; we have learned, however, to "despise not the day of small things." These are my sheaves, Mrs. Secretary, nothing to speak of but willingly given with a hope of longer service in the cause.

Submitted in F., C. and L.,

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,
Junior-Vice President.

Report of Department Secretary.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT SECRETARY,

DENVER, COLO., April 20, 1899.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Department President W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to the officers and members of the Fifteenth Annual Convention, the following report of the membership and condition of the Corps of this Department. When you assumed the office of Department president, there were forty-three Corps, with a membership of 1,527. The following table of statistics will show the loss and gain for the year:

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1898.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Charter.....	31	By Death.....	3
" Initiation.....	75	" Honorable Discharge.....	31
" Transfer.....	8	" Transfer.....	31
" Reinstatement.....	26	" Suspension.....	50
		" Dishonorable Discharge.....	2
Total.....	140	" Delinquent Reports.....	81
		Total.....	181
Membership for June 30th.....	1,486.		

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1898.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation.....	54	By Death.....	4
" Transfer.....	6	" Discharge.....	6
" Reinstatement.....	10	" Transfer.....	10
" Reinstatement from Delin-		" Suspension.....	80
quent Reports.....	84	" Delinquent Reports.....	48
Total.....	163	Total.....	148
Membership September 30th.....	1,591.		

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1898.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation.....	39	By Death.....	4
" Transfer.....	11	" Honorable Discharge.....	4
" Reinstatement.....	40	" Transfer.....	25
" Reinstatement from Delin-		" Suspension.....	71
quent Reports.....	57	" Delinquent Reports.....	37
Total.....	137	Total.....	152
Membership December 30th.....	1,486.		

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1899.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Charter.....	22	By Death.....	6
" Initiation.....	62	" Honorable Discharge.....	12
" Transfer.....	4	" Transfer.....	13
" Reinstatement.....	25	" Suspension.....	53
" Reinstatement from Delin-		" Dishonorable Discharge.....	4
quent Reports.....	37	Total.....	88
Total.....	150		
Membership for March 31st, 1899.....	1,548.		
Total gain for the year.....	21.		

AMOUNT OF RELIEF EXPENDED.

CASH.	OTHER THAN MONEY.
Second quarter, 1898.....\$ 293.40	Second quarter, 1898.....\$ 598.45
Third quarter, 1898..... 206.40	Third quarter, 1898..... 374.85
Fourth quarter, 1898..... 472.02	Fourth quarter, 1898..... 707.07
First quarter, 1899..... 448.60	First quarter, 1899..... 354.20
Total.....\$1,420.42	Total \$2,034.57

CORPS ON THE ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut, No. 1.....	Denver, Colo.
Upton, No. 2.....	Pueblo, Colo.
Sedgwick, No. 3.....	Durango, Colo.
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	Colorado Springs, Colo.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.....	Golden, Colo.
George G. Meade, No. 6.....	Denver, Colo.
James A. Garfield, No. 8.....	Leadville, Colo.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.....	Cheyenne, Wyo.
North Fork, No. 11.....	Hotchkiss, Colo.
Gunnison, No. 12.....	Gunnison, Colo.
Caspar W. Collins, No. 13 ..	Rawlins, Wyo.
Veteran, No. 14.....	Denver, Colo.
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	Greeley, Colo.
Wadsworth, No. 16.....	Rocky Ford, Colo.
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	Grand Junction, Colo.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18.....	Fort Morgan, Colo.
Custer, No. 20.....	Laramie, Wyo.
Reno, No. 21.....	Denver, Colo.
Mulligan, No. 22.....	Springfield, Colo.
James W. Anderson, No. 23 ..	Cripple Creek, Colo.
Pfeiffer, No. 25.....	Alamosa, Colo.
George H. Thomas, No. 26.....	Fort Collins, Colo.
Nathaniel Lyons, No. 27.....	Boulder, Colo.
Elbert County, No. 29.....	Elizabeth, Colo.
McPherson, No. 32.....	Longmont, Colo.
Richardson, No. 33.....	Las Animas, Colo.
Akron, No. 36.....	Akron, Colo.
E. M. Stanton, No. 37.....	Salida, Colo.
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	Denver, Colo.
Geo. Washington, No. 42... ..	Denver, Colo.
Joe Hooker, No. 43.....	Monte Vista, Colo.
John C. Fremont, No. 45.....	Littleton, Colo.

Victor Corps, No. 41, was organized January 5, 1899, with twenty-two charter members, and is already a live, flourishing Corps.

Applications for charters have been sent to Lake City, Wray and Pagosa Springs.

E. V. Sumner, No. 7, of Silver Cliff, was regularly disbanded in February, sending all supplies to this office.

General Shields, No. 10, of New Castle, also found it impossible to continue, and disbanded, with a request for transfer cards for seven members, sending per capita for same.

Nathaniel Lyons, No. 27, of Boulder, still holds the championship. Eighty-nine members in good standing last report.

George G. Meade, No. 6, of Denver, has far exceeded any other Corps in the Department in her relief work, having expended in cash \$189.65; other than money, \$142.25.

James W. Anderson, No. 23, of Cripple Creek, shows the largest number initiated during the year - twenty-four new members.

Seven National general orders, two circular letters, eight Department general orders, two circular letters and one special order, have been issued from the Department headquarters.

Incorrect and delinquent reports are the bane of Department secretaries and treasurers, and while there have been few of either, what can I say to have this trouble overcome. Let me urge upon Corps presidents (for with them rests the entire trouble) to see that the quarterly reports are made out on time, and when made out, be sure that they are correct before endorsing them. You may be sure Department secretaries will bless you. If only one quarter could show all Corps on the "Roll of Honor," what a cause for rejoicing there would be.

Mrs. President, I felt deeply honored when you appointed me to the sacred trust of this office, and I have diligently tried to the best of my ability to execute promptly all of its various duties. Upon every occasion throughout the year has my association with you been filled with the evidence of your noble qualities as a woman, and although your heart has been sore many times over the fate of the only son - the boy in far away Manila, yet never has it deviated from its course in your loyalty to the objects of this Order, the fathers of those sons. If I have justified your confidence, I am content.

To you, my dear friend, Mrs. Rapp, our Department treasurer who has never been too hurried, too tired, or too busy to explain the intricacies of delinquent members and delinquent per capita tax, I express my grateful thanks; I feel that I shall never be able to repay the many favors at your hands. I shall always look back on this year as one of the happiest of my life. I have received many letters full of kind words, and the hosts of pen and ink friends that I have made will be forever cherished.

Submitted in F., C. and L.,

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Secretary.

Report of Department Treasurer.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT TREASURER,

DENVER, COLO., April 29, 1899.

MRS. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary:

MADAM—In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith a financial statement for the year ending April 29th, 1899.

ACCOUNT CURRENT.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, in account with the
Womans' Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

GENERAL FUND.	DEBIT.
Balance in general fund.....	\$ 62.50
Per capita tax.....	927.60

Sale of supplies.....	252.91
Returned by Department president from National convention expense.....	25.00
Donation from city council for convention expenses.....	50.00
Exchange on check from Victor, No. 41.....	15
Andersonville Prison fund.....	9.15
National Council of Women.....	11.75
Memorial Day in the South.....	17.50
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in Monte Vista, Colo.....	66.25
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in Cheyenne, Wyo.....	20.00

Total.....\$1,142.81

Pike's Peak Corps, No. 39, remitted direct to secretary:

National Council of Women.....\$ 1.00

GENERAL FUND.

CREDIT.

Board of president, National Hotel, Cripple Creek, Colo.....\$	8.00
Hester W. Hartzell, services assistant secretary, Convention of 1898.....	10.00
Express on secretary and treasurer's trunks and Department banner, to and from convention.....	2.75
Salary of secretary.....	75.00
Salary of treasurer.....	75.00
For rituals lost in transit.....	2.00
Carson-Häper, badges and pins for National convention....	6.35
Lucy M. Campbell, Department president, expenses to the National convention.....	65.00
Printing Journals of Fourteenth Annual Convention.....	112.00
Fannie D. Hardin, postage on Department Journals.....	12.30
Fannie D. Hardin, engrossing charter for Elbert Co. Corps..	1.00
Ella Wayne, express and postage on patriotic literature.....	1.40
E. L. C. Dwinell, balance postage on Journals Thirteenth Annual convention.....	2.00
C. R. Critchell, insurance on Department banner.....	3.00
E. M. Stillings, postage on National Journals.....	6.82
F. E. Hartzell, engrossing charter, Victor Corps.....	1.00
Lucy M. Campbell, apron for fair, New Mexico W. R. C....	.85
National treasurer, for supplies.....	106.13
Transportation on supplies from National treasurer.....	7.20
Per capita tax, four quarters, National treasurer.....	185.52
Returned to Custer, No. 20, for supplies and postage on same.	.73
Printing, stationery, general orders and circular letters.....	55.70
Transferred to Relief fund.....	92.81
Inspection of Corps.....	72.10
Mary E. Ullmer, railway fare to audit Treasurer's books ..	1.60
Emma Scrivner, chief aid, postage.....	2.00
Express on books, half rates, to Soldiers' Home, Colorado...	1.00
Office supplies and car fare for Department officers.....	10.55
Postage, revenue stamps and exchange.....	57.30
Printing rosters for Fifteenth Annual Convention.....	9.00
Lucy M. Campbell, Department president, for convention expenses.....	40.00
Testimonial for retiring president.....	50.00
National treasurer, for Andersonville Prison fund.....	9.15
National treasurer, for National Council of Women.....	11.75
National treasurer, for Memorial Day in the South.....	17.50
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Monte Vista, Colo.....	66.25
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Cheyenne, Wyo.....	20.00

Total.....\$1,291.66

RELIEF FUND.

Balance	\$ 47.38	DR.
Transferred from General Fund.....	92.81	
National W. R. C. Home in Madison, Ohio.....	18.66	
Total.....	\$158.85	

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Department Relief Committee.....	\$ 75.00	
National Treasurer, W. R. C. Home.....	18.66	

Total..... \$93.66

Balance	65.19	
	\$158.85	

EMERGENCY FUND.

Relief of six soldiers.....	\$ 13.60	DR.
	5.00	

Balance..... \$ 38.60

LIST OF SUPPLIES.

108 Badges.....	\$ 13.20
1 Bronze Recognition Pin.....	.25
1 Gold Recognition Pin.....	2.50
1 3/4 yards Membership Ribbon.....	.44
2 1/4 yards Corps Officers' Ribbon.....	.56
3 3/4 yards Department Officers' Ribbon.....	.97
32 Emblems.....	.96
1 Ritual 1899.....	.25
3 Corps Service Books, 1896.....	.75
4 Burial and Memorial Service.....	.30
135 Rules and Regulations.....	9.45
246 Applications for Membership.....	2.46
468 Arrearage Blanks.....	2.34
2 Sheets Music, Opening Ode.....	.20
4 Initiation March.....	1.00
8 Corps Treasurer's Bonds.....	.16
23 Ode Cards.....	.35
6 Discharge Cards.....	.12
70 Transfer Cards.....	1.40
158 Visiting Cards.....	3.16
4 Roll Books.....	3.60
3 Corps Secretary's Books - Order.....	1.50
2 Treasurer's Receipt Books.....	1.00
4 General Order Files.....	2.40
4 Letter Files.....	2.80
2 Red Books, 1897.....	1.30
1 Large Electro.....	.35
1 Small Electro.....	.25
47 Specimen Sheets of Cash Book.....	1.88
47 Specimen Sheets of Ledger.....	1.88
662 Form W.....	6.62
6 Patriotic Primers.....	4.50
6 Parliamentary Rules.....	4.50
2 Charters.....	.50
1 Department Secretary's Order Book.....	.70
21 Invoices of Supplies.....	.16

Total..... \$101.86

Invoice of Supplies Issued to Department, \$7.44.

LIST OF DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

1 Hectograph.....	\$ 3.50	4 Yard Charter Ribbon.....	\$.30
1 Letter Scale.....	1.50	50 National Delegate Cards.....	.25
Banners.....	300.00	2 Beath's Blue Book.....	2.00
8 Silver Pins.....	24.00	2 Red Books.....	1.30
1 Trunk, Secretary's.....	4.50	2 Dept. Service Books.....	1.00
1 Trunk, Treasurer's.....	6.00	2 Letter Files.....	1.40
1 Supply Ledger.....	6.50	1 B. & M. Book.....	.10
1 Per Capita Tax Book.....	2.75	1 Corps Service Book.....	.25
1 Ledger.....	8.00	1 Ritual.....	.25
1 Seal.....	3.00	16 Seals.....	.16
1 Charter.....	10.00	11 Commissions.....	.55
10 Dept. Officer's Badges.....	4.00	Book on Patriotic Teaching.....	1.00
1 Large Electro.....	.35		
1 Small Electro.....	.25	Total.....	\$382.01

FREE BLANKS.

500 Form A.	1 Form V.
497 Form B.	26 Application for Charter.
2 Form F.	2 Department Requisitions.
179 Form G.	66 Slips for Rituals.
141 Form N.	1 Independence Chart.
136 Form L.	Number of Bound Journals.
390 Form J.	Department Records.
55 Form O.	Supply of National and Department Journals, Unbound.
10 Form U.	

ASSETS.

General Fund.....	\$ 148.15
Relief Fund.....	65.10
Emergency Fund.....	38.60
Department Property.....	382.01
List of Supplies.....	101.86
Total.....	\$ 736.71

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That as the need of the Emergency fund is past, we leave it to the discretion of Corps who have sent money to the Department to dispose of it as they may see fit.

2. That the inspectors instruct Corps which they inspect, if necessary, in making out reports and in keeping their books properly.

I am pleased to state that we have added some to our balance since last report, although we have not sold as many supplies as were sold last year, only organizing one Corps.

I had the pleasure of inspecting four Corps this year, and visiting the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista twice; also installing the officers of Jim Bowie, No. 30, at Creede. I shall treasure these visits as the pleasantest episodes of my official career.

I want to thank all the officers of the Department for their never-failing kindness, especially the Department president, secretary, and the dear treasurers of Corps, who so willingly and kindly responded to all requests.

I have been very busy during this year, but have enjoyed every moment that I have worked for our beloved Order.

The thanks of the Department are due to some of the Denver merchants for their donations for our badges, thus saving that expense to the Department.

Trusting that our Order may prosper in the future as in the past, and that we may work together harmoniously for the cause in which we are all so deeply interested, I remain yours in F., C. and L.,

CLARA RAPP,
Department Treasurer.

Report of Department Chaplain.

LARAMIE, WYOMING, May 1st, 1899.

MRS. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary, W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

MADAM—I have the honor to submit to you and through you to the Fifteenth Department Convention, a report of the deaths that have occurred in our ranks during the year just closing, as far as I have been notified by the various Corps of the Department.

Owing to the fact that the Convention is held before Memorial Day, the report of the proceedings of that day must necessarily be left to my successor.

DEATHS REPORTED.

Mrs. Mary E. Austin, of Upton Corps, No. 2, Pueblo, Colorado, died January 18th, 1899.

Mrs. Minnie Moyne, of George G. Meade Corps, No. 6, Denver, died March 12th, 1899.

Mrs. Elizabeth Boner, of C. W. Collins Corps, No. 13, of Rawlins, Wyoming, died August 1st, 1898, and Mrs. Elizabeth Sullivan, of same Corps, died February 23rd, 1899.

Mrs. Matilda Reno, of Veteran Corps, No. 14, Denver, died June 18th, 1898, and Mrs. Eliza Jane Drewrey, of same Corps, died November 6th, 1898.

Mrs. Mary F. Bader, of Nathaniel Lyon Corps, No. 27, Boulder, Colorado, died November 18th, 1898.

Mrs. Catherine Georgia, of Elbert County Corps, No. 29, Kiowa, Colorado, died July 9th, 1898.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith, of McPherson Corps, No. 32, Longmont, Colorado, died March 17th, 1899. Mrs. Smith was Past President of her Corps, and at the time of her death was Corps Treasurer.

Mrs. Frances M. Boucher, of Jim Bowie Corps, No. 30, Amethyst, Colorado, died June 1st, 1898.

Mrs. Christiana Thornton and Mrs. Jennie Savage, both of Pikes Peak Corps, No. 39, Manitou. Dates of deaths not reported. Mrs.

Thornton was Past Department Chaplain, and both Mrs. Thornton and Mrs. Savage were Past Corps Presidents.

Mrs. Margaret Monroe, of Joe Hooker Corps, No. 43, Monte Vista, died November 28th, 1898, and Mrs. Harriet M. French, of same Corps, died February 24th, 1899. Mrs. America Whist, died April 8th, 1899. Mrs. Whist was a Past Department Chaplain.

The messenger of Death is not only plucking the best from the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic, but has claimed as his own many of the brightest and most faithful of those whose lives were pledged to aid and assist them and to perpetuate the memory of their heroic dead.

Twice during the year has every Corps in the Department been called upon to drape its charter in affectionate remembrance of Past Department Chaplains. Three members have answered the roll call from the ranks of Veteran Corps, No. 14, and two from C. W. Collins No. 13, Pikes Peak, No. 39 and Joe Hooker, No. 43.

We yield in humble submission and expectancy for,

"Thou hast them all, Hereafter, Thou

Shalt keep them safely till that hour

When, with God's seal on heart and brow,

We claim them in immortal power."

To the officers and members with whom I have been associated I hereby extend sincere thanks for many courtesies received.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. & L.,

ADDA ULEN,

Department Chaplain.

Report of Department Counselor.

DENVER, COLO., April 27, 1899.

TO HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary W. R. C.

MADAM—In compliance with the requirements of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the convention, the following:

I have ever held myself in readiness to give any advice that might be called for, that was in my power to render, but our president has been so self-reliant that my duty as counselor has been light. I have not, however, forgotten my pledge to work for the old soldier and his dependent ones, and have endeavored in my feeble way to do what I could. I have attended all of the council meetings, and have accompanied the president and other members of her staff on the occasions of official visits to several of the Corps. I installed the officers of the Burnside Corps at Loveland. I attended, by special

invitation, the anniversary of the Elbert County Post. They were assisted by the Elbert County Corps, their auxiliary and the baby Corps of the Department. The subject given me to respond to was one very dear to me, namely: The Woman's Relief Corps.

It was my privilege to visit the Wyoming Soldiers' Home, where I was cordially received by Commander Stitzer and wife. The inmates had all gone to see "The Wild West Show," so I did not have the opportunity of talking to any of them, but everything seemed to be moving along in the same quiet, even way.

Three of the various pension cases I have been working on have been disposed of this year. One of these I cannot refrain from mentioning, that of a soldier's widow, who has had a hard struggle. It was my privilege to hand her an order for \$850.33 back pension money, with \$8.00 per month as long as she lives a widow.

And now, Mrs. President, I thank you for the honor conferred, by appointing me your counselor, and in closing this report of my three years of Department work, I wish to say that, while I enjoy being on the floor again, my interest in the Order will be one of an ardent worker for the principle we espouse.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

FANNIE D. WALTHALL HARDIN,

Counselor.

Report of Department Inspector.

GUNNISON, COLO.

MRS. HESTER HARTZELL, Department Secretary:

MADAM—In compliance with Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you and the officers and members of the Fifteenth Annual Convention the following report of duties performed and condition of the respective Corps in this Department:

Number of Corps August 31, 1897.....	40
Number of Corps August 31, 1898.....	43
Number of Corps inspected.....	43
Number of meetings held.....	1,179
Number of members in good standing.....	1,552
Average amount charged for initiation.....	\$ 1.03
Average amount charged for dues.....	\$ 1.27
Number of Corps with rituals complete.....	35
Number of Corps sending reports to Department.....	36
Number of Corps sending relief report to Post.....	31
Number of Corps with books audited.....	35
Number of Corps with rituals memorized.....	5
Number of Corps with rituals partly memorized.....	11
Number of Corps with work otherwise properly done.....	30
Number of Corps with secretary's work well done.....	36
Number of Corps with treasurer's work well done.....	34

Amount in relief fund	\$1,114.47
Amount expended for relief.....	\$1,557.61
Estimated value of relief other than money.	2,216.62

Total relief, including money, clothing, food, etc.\$3,777.23

Amount turned over to Post Corps which have expended \$50.00 or more in money for relief :

Farragut, No. 1, Denver	\$ 50.00
Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs.....	211.70
George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.....	181.75
James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville.....	77.00
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne.....	62.05
Veteran, No. 14, Denver	142.45
U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley.....	61.50
Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction.....	62.10
Nathaniel Lyons, No. 27, Boulder.....	142.50
M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver.....	61.35

The following Corps were inspected by Department President Lucy M. Campbell, who reports as follows :

T. H. DODD, NO. 5, GOLDEN.

This being one of the oldest Corps in our Department, makes the inspector feel more like receiving instructions than giving them. Books and finances in good condition. A good Corps.

CASPER W. COLLINS, NO. 13, RAWLINS, WYO.

A good Corps and in perfect harmony with Post. Books of secretary and treasurer well kept. The flag work was introduced the day of inspection.

A reception was given in the evening at the home of the Department Senior-Vice President, Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, which was enjoyed by the comrades as well as by the Corps.

VETERAN, NO. 11, DENVER.

This is one of the best Corps in the Department. The books are fine—No. 1. Splendid relief work done the past year, showing the efficiency of their relief committee. Always found ready and willing to work for the good of our Order.

R. A. CAMERON, NO. 18, FORT MORGAN.

A good attendance at inspection. Ritualistic work well done. Books very neatly kept. An elegant reception was given by Post and Corps in the evening, at the beautiful home of Department Junior-Vice President, Mrs. A. C. Johnson. Notwithstanding the snow storm, a goodly number attended and a delightful evening was enjoyed by all.

WADSWORTH, NO. 16, ROCKY FORD.

A new Corps, although some of the members came from the east by transfer and understand the work of the ritual. The flag work was introduced the day of inspection. Books well kept. An evening entertainment was held in the G. A. R. hall. The comrades were invited and a pleasant social evening was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served.

CUSTER, NO. 20, LARAMIE, WYO.

The parliamentary work of this Corps splendid. Books of secretary and treasurer well and neatly kept. Good relief work done. A reception was tendered me in the evening in their own beautiful hall, which is owned jointly with the Post. Refreshments were served and a delightful evening was spent.

ELLSWORTH, NO. 28, CENTRAL.

This Corps was organized October 10, 1897. The ritualistic work is well performed. Flag work beautiful. The books are neatly and correctly kept, and show the reports of the auditing committee all properly filed, making the duties of the inspector very light. After the meeting all repaired to the banquet hall, where delicious refreshments were served.

ELBERT CO., NO. 29, ELBERT COUNTY.

A good Corps. Books of secretary and treasurer well kept. Understand well the objects of our Order. Living so far apart they do not have the advantages of studying our ritualistic work. The Post and Corps in perfect harmony. A bountiful dinner was served. Election of officers also occurred on the day of inspection, resulting in the choosing of all their past officers.

KILPATRICK, NO. 31, LA JUNTA.

The faithful few are trying to keep the Corps together. I hope for a brighter future for them.

MAJOR ANDERSON, NO. 35, ARVADA.

Though few in numbers they are good in deeds, and of great assistance to the Post, and all are in perfect harmony. All officers do their work well. I wish to especially mention the good work of their young treasurer, Miss Chattie Hurlburt. An evening entertainment was held and enjoyed by all.

RICHARDSON, NO. 33, LAS ANIMAS.

This is a good Corps with good officers. Books of secretary and treasurer excellent. An entertainment was held which added to their treasury \$114.00. With this fund they beautified their cemetery and built a nice fence around it.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, NO. 42, DENVER.

Although small in numbers they are large in good works, having done splendid relief work, which is the one great object of our Order. Books well kept, as they have a competent secretary and treasurer. Good officers make a good Corps, which is especially noticeable in this one.

J. C. FREMONT, NO. 45, LITTLETON.

A splendid Corps and do good relief work. Books in fine condition. I was accompanied by Farragut Corps. Elegant refreshments. Such visits prove a revival in our Order.

The following Corps were inspected by Minnie E. Kingsford, Department Senior Vice President, who reports as follows:

J. F. REYNOLDS, NO. 9, CHEYENNE.

I found this Corps much discouraged, many members prophesying that they must surrender their charter soon. I hope for better things after the beginning of the new year. I talked earnestly with them and urged to more active service.

U. S. GRANT, NO. 15, GREELEY.

This is one of our best Corps. I found them in a very prosperous condition, both financially and in their work. Ritualistic work was performed in an impressive manner, which shows that love for the cause is implanted in the hearts of the members of U. S. Grant Corps.

W. T. SHERMAN, NO. 21, EVANS.

The members of this little Corps are to be commended for their courageous struggle to exist. They have but ten members, seven of whom live in the country on farms, and we did not have a quorum at the special meeting called for inspection. So I cannot report on the ritualistic work. They do not want to disband, fearing if they do the Post will also.

FARRAGUT, NO. 1, DENVER.

Farragut is the oldest Corps and among the best in our Department. Their interest in the cause of caring for the old soldier is shown in the very thorough manner in which their work is performed. They do a good relief work and fully appreciate the purpose for which we are banded together.

GEORGE H. THOMAS, NO. 26, FT. COLLINS.

A splendid Corps. Good officers. The president has doubled its membership the past year. The finances are the best I have found. Much relief work is done without stint. All of the members are energetic workers, fully realizing the objects of our Order. The G. A. R. and W. R. C. have just moved into a beautiful new hall of their own.

NATHANIEL LYON, NO. 27, BOULDER.

This is a bright, wide-awake Corps, doing excellent work. Well established, having the largest membership of any Corps in the Department.

A. J. SMITH, NO. 31, FLORENCE.

This is a young Corps that has struggled pretty hard for existence. But they seem to believe in the silver lining to the cloud that has overshadowed them, and are hoping for a bright future. They are doing good work. Found them using the old rituals, having but two of the new ones. I placed the new work on the floor and drilled them well in it.

McPHERSON, NO. 32, LONGMONT.

McPherson Corps does not show the interest in their work that I would like to see. But they were enthusiastic over the new floor work when I placed it before them. They wanted to be inspected on the work of the old ritual, but at times they confused the new and the old. So I insisted on the new work entirely and drilled them well in

it. If they can carry on the new work their interest will increase, but so often there are not enough in attendance at the meetings to fill all the chairs.

A. E. BURNSIDE, NO. 38, LOVELAND.

I was more an instructor than inspector here. Found Corps using old rituals, having only two of the new ones. Put the new work on the floor and drilled them well in it. They all seemed willing and even anxious to perform their work well, and I feel confident that this will make one of our best Corps in time.

The following Corps were inspected by Department Junior-Vice President, Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson, who reports as follows:

GEORGE G. MEADE, NO. 6, DENVER.

Good membership. Flourishing condition. Their floor work was well done, with the exception of balloting, they being hampered with members who had not attended regularly. Was well pleased with work of color-bearers; also conductors.

RENO, NO. 21, DENVER.

Owing to a misunderstanding, only one hour was given the Corps for ritualistic work, but in that time they showed a knowledge of the work which was truly pleasing. I am sure, had the hall not been rented to other parties, and they had taken their time for their work, it would have been excellent. The principal part of the work was memorized and well performed.

AKRON, NO. 36, AKRON.

I found the remnant of a once good Corps holding out against great disadvantages. Five members still held their charter. They will try and have meetings once a quarter, if not oftener. They seem determined, while Akron Post is in existence, to keep up the work as best they can, though they have no hall or place of meeting other than their own homes. Find dues paid, and they will have the new rituals immediately.

M. M. CROCKER, NO. 10, DENVER.

Corps in flourishing condition. Their work well done. Attendance and interest good. Aiming to reach perfection, which will be demonstrated at convention.

The following Corps were inspected by Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, who reports as follows:

SEDGWICK, NO. 3, DURANGO.

The members are all earnest and zealous in working for the good of our Order. Always ready to help where needed. The books of secretary and treasurer well kept. They have bought, with the help of the comrades of the Post, flags for all the schools, including the Sisters' school, and the flags were to be presented the following week after my visit. We had a very pleasant meeting. Ritualistic work well done. After close of session met some of the Comrades, and spent a social hour in listening to speeches and discussing plans for

the good of the Order. Owing to my being a week later than had been arranged, I missed the reception which had been set for that time, much to my regret.

PFEIFFER, NO. 25, ALAMOSA.

This is a wide-awake Corps, but having few members and small attendance, labor under a great disadvantage, as it is impossible to perform the work of our ritual properly when there are not enough members present to fill officers' chairs. The new rituals have not been used for this reason. They are earnestly working to increase their membership, and will do as well as it can be done under existing circumstances. They are earnest workers for the good of our Order, and my visit to them will always be remembered with pleasure. I met most of the ladies. Attendance was good. In the evening we had a reception at the president's home, where I met some of the comrades as well as members of the Corps. The evening was spent in a most agreeable manner. Music, recitations and social conversation. Next morning sixteen members of Post and Corps accompanied me to the Soldiers' Home, where we all took dinner with the soldiers of the Home. I shall always remember Pfeiffer Corps, and will look back on my visit as one of the most enjoyable memories of my trip.

JIM BOWIE, NO. 30, AMETHYST.

This Corps has a bright future before it. Although small in members, they perform their work nicely, and are all enthusiastic in adding to their membership, having several applications to be handed in at their next meeting. We had a very pleasant and profitable meeting. Attendance good. After close of session held an open meeting, attended by comrades and other citizens. Speeches were made and a class of little girls performed a very pretty flag drill; also rendered several recitations, after which refreshments were served, and this ended a very pleasant episode of my inspection tour.

JOE HOOKER, NO. 13, MONTE VISTA.

Was very agreeably surprised to see our new flag work so well performed as it was by this Corps. They have quite a large membership, and, being so near our Soldiers' Home, have the advantage in that respect. They visit it frequently and encourage the comrades by kind words and deeds. The books of secretary and treasurer are well and neatly kept. We had a very pleasant meeting and good attendance. After close of session, refreshments were served and a social hour passed. I met a number of the ladies on Sunday at the Home, where they had come to attend divine service, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Jessie Sharp Purvier kindly consented to inspect Gunnison Corps, Gunnison, and reports as follows:

This Corps, as a whole, is anxious to improve its condition, and I feel safe in predicting for it a more prosperous year for the one we are just about to enter upon.

J. W. ANDERSON, NO. 23, CRIPPLE CREEK.

This Corps exemplified the ritual at the Fourteenth Annual convention held at Cripple Creek. Their work was excellent, especially the flag work, for which they were complimented by the National President, Mrs. Sarah J. Martin. This Corps has the advantage of some of the smaller Corps, for they have a large membership, a fine hall, and live in a prosperous mining town.

North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss, and Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield, were inspected by blanks. I had the pleasure of personally inspecting the following Corps:

UPTON, NO. 2, PUEBLO.

A very good attendance at inspection. Work well done. Books correct. Considerable interest is shown in the work of the Order. A good Corps. They have a Juniors' Relief Corps, and I was invited to stay and see their work, which was well done.

COLORADO SPRINGS, NO. 4, COLORADO SPRINGS.

This is a good Corps and a large one. Full of life and all working in harmony for the good of the Order. Books in good condition and flag work fine. The work of inspection over, refreshments were served, and then I was treated to an excellent flag drill by members of the Corps. It does one good to visit a Corps of this kind.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, NO. 8, LEADVILLE.

This is indeed a fine Corps, with a large membership. The officers are good, the work well done, and great interest taken in good of the Order. When the work of inspection was finished, tables were spread and an excellent supper was served. The comrades were invited to meet me and all enjoyed a pleasant afternoon.

GENERAL SHIELDS, NO. 10, NEW CASTLE.

Though few in numbers this Corps is doing good work. They are making clothing and fixing up an old soldiers' home, that he may be comfortable for the winter. There were not enough members present to hold a meeting. We met in the hall for a social talk. Refreshments were served and all spent a pleasant afternoon.

E. V. SUMNER, NO. 7, SILVER CLIFF.

Here I found a few earnest women working for the good of Post and Corps. Books of secretary and treasurer correct. We enjoyed a pleasant evening at the home of Mrs. Katie Brewer. Refreshments were served.

GRAND JUNCTION, NO. 17, GRAND JUNCTION.

A prosperous Corps. There is a large membership and great interest is shown by members. They have a number of young lady members. Flag work was well done. Have done good relief work. The inspector feels encouraged when visiting a Corps of this kind. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed a pleasant afternoon.

WINFIELD SCOTT, NO. 19, ASPEN.

A small attendance on account of sickness and bad weather. Books of secretary and treasurer in good condition. A reception was

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C., FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1898.

N.	money.	Do the books of Sec- and Treas. show that they have been audited by the Finance Commit- tee quarterly?	Is the Charter in hall at every regular meet- ing?	Are copies of Regular Quarterly Relief Re- ports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Representative make a written Report of proceedings of last Dept. Convention?	Amount of money turned over to Post from Aug. 31, 1897, to Aug. 31, 1898.	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise prop- erly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary properly per- formed and books cor- rect?	Is the work of Treas- urer properly performed and books correct?
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Sedw	50	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
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Jim	00	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	No
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McP	85	"	"	"	"	"	5 00	"	Fair	"	"
Rich	"	No	"	No	"	No	"	"	No	No	"
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Geor	50	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"	"	"
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING W. R. C. FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1898.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Number of regular meetings in the year.				Number of Members in good standing.	Average attendance of Officers.	Average attendance of Members including Officers.	Is the number of Rituals complete?	Have all Reports and Dues been forwarded to Dept. Headquarters?	Does the Treasurer notify all Members in arrears as required by obligation?	Are all Members when dues are reported as dropped?	Are all Members when dues are reported as suspended in Quarterly Reports?	Are all Members when dues are reported as dropped in arrears?	Does the Corps Treas. or her Asst. visit delinquent Members and explain to them the obligation in ritual, p. 34?	Amount charged for Initiation, not including price of badge.	Amount charged for Yearly Dues.	Amount of money in the treasury, if none report none.	Amount expended for relief from Aug. 31, 1897, to Aug. 31, 1898.	Estimated value of Relief other than money.	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that the same are audited by the Finance Committee quarterly?	Is the Charter in full at every regular meeting?	Are copies of Regular Quarterly Relief Reports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did the committee make a written Report of proceedings of last Dept. Convention?	Amount of money expended to Post from Aug. 31, 1897, to Aug. 31, 1898.	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and books correct?	Is the work of Treas. properly performed and books correct?	
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Farragut	1	Denver	32	45	81	16	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	2 00	7 82	50 00	125 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10 00	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Union	2	Pueblo	45	27	7	10	Yes										1 00	1 50	22 50	15 00	10 00		Yes	Yes	Yes							
Nedwick	3	Durango	20	32	7	14											1 00	1 00	11 00	28 95												
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado Springs	24	51	13	30											1 00	1 20	5 60	214 70	579 50											
T. H. Dodd	5	Golden	24	39	8	15											1 00	1 00	10 23	10 00	16 50											
George G. Meade	6	Denver	52	77	8	23											1 10	2 00	54 84	181 75	457 90						5 00		Fair			
E. V. Sumner	7	Silver Cliff	24	8	5	5											1 00	1 00	7 00		2 00			No	Yes		13 20	Yes	Yes			
James A. Garfield	8	Leadville	49	61	6	19											1 00	2 00	27 26	77 00	90 00			No	Yes			No	Yes			
J. F. Reynolds	9	Cheverenne	24	28	6	8											1 00	1 00	1 30	62 65	76 65				Yes			No				
General Shields	10	New Castle	12	8	5	5											1 00	1 00	15 89	15 00	5 00			No			37 70		No			
North Fork	11	Hotchkiss	24	14	4	7				No							1 00	1 00	3 00			No										
Gunnison	12	Gunnison	20	30	6	8				Yes							1 00	1 00	2 70			Yes					20 00	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Casper W. Collins	13	Rawlins	24	31	6	12				No	No						1 00	2 00	75 14	16 25	16 25			Yes			46 00					
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Wadsworth	16	Rocky Ford	20	31	6	13											1 00	1 00	13 23	9 65												
Grand Junction	17	Grand Junction	52	47	12	14											1 00	1 00	27 25	62 10	7 00				Yes		10 00	Yes	No			
K. A. Cameron	18	Fort Morgan	22	32	6	10	No										1 00	1 00	15 74						Yes		8 40	No	Yes			
Winfield Scott	19	Aspen	52	25	9	9											1 00	1 00	41 50	5 00							30 00					
Custer	20	Laramie	22	46	7	13	Yes										1 00	2 00	47 90	9 50												
Keno	21	Denver	44	48	10	33				No	No						1 00	2 00	40 00	70 00	208 50						25 03					
Mulligan	22	Springfield	20	21	5	8				Yes	No						1 00	60	5 00	3 00		No			No	Yes						
J. W. Anderson	23	Cripple Creek	34	73	10	25				Yes	Yes	Yes					1 00	1 20	29 87	47 60	17 25						46 81	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
W. T. Sherman	24	Evans	12	10	6	6				No	No						1 00	1 00	14 50	13 00	5 00					No						
Pleifer	25	Alamosa	22	17	6	8				Yes	Yes						1 00	40	2 15	3 00							46 81	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
George H. Thomas	26	Fort Collins	24	48	10	14											1 00	1 00	459 22	27 40	2 00						12 00	No	No	No	Yes	
Nathaniel Lyon	27	Boulder	22	50	9	26											1 00	1 00	43 42	142 59	164 82				Yes							
Elkworth	28	Central City	25	29	4	15	No										1 00	1 00	26 00						No		24 25	Yes	Yes			
Elbert County	29	Elbert County	4	36	10	15	Yes										1 10	1 00	10 00	10 00		No							No			
Jim Bowie	30	Amethyst	24	16	5	6			No								1 00	1 00	45 58	16 15	3 00											
A. J. Smith	31	Florence	45	18	5	10			Yes								1 00	1 00	22 38	15 10									No			
McPherson	32	Longmont	22	42	8	24	No										1 00	1 40	10 44	5 61	5 00	Yes			Yes		75 53	No				
Richardson	33	Las Animas	22	31	7	11	Yes										1 00	1 00	9 00	1 00	15 85						5 00	Fair	No		Yes	
Kilpatrick	34	La Junta	24	21	6	16			No	No	No	No					1 00	1 20	1 50	5 00		No		No		No			No	No		
Major Anderson	35	Arvada	22	21	5	8			Yes	Yes	Yes						1 00	1 00	4 00	3 00		No	Yes		No							
Akron	36	Akron	2	5	4	5			Yes	Yes	Yes						1 00	1 00	5 79	5 00												
E. M. Stanton	37	Salida	24	27	8	14	Yes										1 00	1 00	22 70	8 00	31 50				Yes		22 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
A. E. Burnside	38	Loveland	24	25	9	12	No										1 00	1 00	2 27						No		1 00	No	No	No	Yes	
Pike's Peak	39	Manitou	20	21	5	8											1 00	1 00	4 75	5 25	22 00	No		Yes					No	No	Yes	
M. M. Crocker	40	Denver	47	48	11	30											1 00	2 00	25 55	61 35	88 85			Yes		5 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
George Washington	42	Denver	41	19	7	10											1 00	1 00	16 67	21 51	54 80											
Joe Hooker	43	Monte Vista	12	46	7	15											1 00	1 00	7 90	5 00	19 50				No							
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given at the home of Mrs. McDonald for the inspector and members of the Corps. Refreshments were served which all enjoyed.

E. M. STANTON, NO. 37, SALIDA.

A good Corps and in perfect harmony with Post. Books correct. A prosperous Corps. Do good relief work and are always ready to help the Post. Finances in good condition. Refreshments served at close of session.

PIKE'S PEAK, NO. 39, MANITOU.

No inspection of this Corps was held, the president and a number of the officers being absent. We met in the hall, examined the books and had a social chat with members present. Books of secretary and treasurer correct. I enjoyed the afternoon, as it was my first visit to Manitou.

In submitting my report I wish to tender my sincere thanks to the assistant inspectors for their kind services; and to you, Mrs. President, I wish to express my gratitude for the kindness you have shown me. I thank you for your counsel, sympathy and encouraging words. I have endeavored to so perform the duties of my office that my work might meet with your approval. And to the Corps I had the pleasure of visiting, I will say that I shall always remember with pleasure the kindness and hospitality shown me, and wherever I meet them they will all seem like old friends. Hoping that the Order may grow in numbers and prosper each year, I leave you.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

SAKAE E. WILLIAMS,
Department Inspector.

Report of I. and I. Officer.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT I. AND I. OFFICER,

SALIDA, COLO., April 25, 1899.

HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary:

MADAM—I have the honor to submit my report as Department I. and I. officer, with the consolidated reports from assistant instituting and installing officers, for the years 1898 and 1899. From many Corps come lengthy and interesting accounts of the very pleasant times they enjoyed at their installation exercises, which I would gladly incorporate in this report if space permitted.

DELIA F. BUELL.

FARRAGUT No. 1, Denver, January 7. Installing officer, Hester W. Hartzell. Public with the Post.

UPTON No. 2, Pueblo, January 12. Installing officer, Carrie Brissack. Private.

SEDGWICK No. 3, Durango, January 5. Installing officer, Helen E. Tiffany.

COLORADO SPRINGS No. 4, Colorado Springs, January 3. Installing officer, Irene De Tolliver. Joint with Post.

T. H. DODD No. 5, Golden, January 12. Installing officer, Sarah Russell. Public, joint with Post.

GEO. G. MEADE, No. 6, Denver, January 10. Installing officer, Stella Newman. Public, joint with Post.

JAMES A. GARFIELD No. 8, Leadville, January 12. Installing officer, Susie J. Searl. Joint with Post.

J. F. REYNOLDS No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., January 6. Installing officer, Therese A. Jenkins.

NORTH FORK No. 11, Hotchkiss, January 14. Installing officer, Mary A. Miller.

GUNNISON No. 12, Gunnison, January 4. Installing officer, Nellie M. Crump. Day bad and but few present.

CASPER W. COLLINS No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., January 18. Installing officer, Minnie E. Kingsford. Private.

VETERAN No. 14, Denver, January 5. Installing officer, Emma Johnson. Public with Post. Largely attended. New installation service beautifully exemplified.

U. S. GRANT No. 15, Greeley, January 14. Installing officer, Emily H. Jones. Joint with Post. A social hour. Lunch served. Corps prospering.

WADSWORTH No. 16, Rocky Ford, January 7. Installing officer, Flora J. Hall. Joint with Post. A pleasant time.

GRAND JUNCTION No. 17, Grand Junction, January 13. Installing officer, Ella B. Ackerman. A good time.

R. A. CAMERON No. 18, Ft. Morgan, January 3. Installing officer, Post Commander, George A. Redfield, by special dispensation.

WINFIELD SCOTT No. 19, Aspen, January 5. Installing officer, Comrade D. M. Watson. Joint with Post.

CUSTER No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., January 23. Installing officer, Olivia Peale. Joint with Post. The occasion long to be remembered for its pleasantness.

RENO No. 21, Denver, January 7. Installing officer, Persis A. Arnold. Joint with Post. Installation perfect and very beautiful.

MULLIGAN No. 22, Springfield, February 11. Installing officer, Mary E. Cole.

JAMES W. ANDERSON No. 23, Cripple Creek, January 7. Installing officer, Alice M. Seeds. Public. Joint with Post. A most delightful evening spent. About 450 present.

W. T. SHERMAN No. 24, Evans, January 3. Installing officer, Lydia C. Young. Installation private, owing to much sickness in the community.

PFEIFFER No. 25, Alamosa, January 12. Installing officer, Addie Miller. Joint with Post.

GEO. H. THOMAS No. 26, Ft. Collins, January 14. Installing officer, Ida E. Seckner. Joint with Post. Fine service and banquet in new hall.

NATHANIEL LYON No. 27, Boulder, January 3. Installing officer, Clara L. Whitney. Joint with Post. Followed with banquet.

ELLSWORTH No. 28, Central City, January 6. Installing officer, Pauline Ashbaugh. Private, but creditable. Weather bad.

ELBERT No. 29, Elbert, January 14. Installing officer, Lucy M. Campbell. Public and joint with Post. Fine dinner.

JIM BOWIE No. 30, Creede, January 4. Installing officer, Clara Rapp. Public and joint with Post. Refreshments.

A. J. SMITH No. 31, Florence, January 13. Installing officer, J. J. Fitzgerald, Post Commander. Public and joint with Post.

MCPHERSON No. 32, Longmont, January 3. Installing officer, L. H. Smith, Past Post Commander. Public and joint with Post.

RICHARDSON No. 33, Las Animas, January 12. Installing officer, William E. Culver. Joint with Post.

KILPATRICK No. 34, La Junta, January 13. Installing officer, Sarah Miller.

MAJOR ANDERSON No. 35, Arvada, January 7. Installing officer, R. H. Hurlburt.

AKRON No. 36, Akron.

E. M. STANTON No. 37, Salida, January 10. Installing officer, Delia F. Buell. Private.

A. E. BURNSIDE No. 38, Loveland, January 6. Installing officer, Fannie D. Hardin.

PIKE'S PEAK No. 39, Manitou, January 4. Installing officer, Alice L. Barney. Private.

M. M. CROCKER No. 40, Denver, January 16. Installing officer, Lucy M. Campbell. Public and joint with Post.

VICTOR No. 41, Victor. Instituted January 5. Alice M. Seeds, instituting officer, 22 charter members. Flourishing, with flattering prospects.

GEORGE WASHINGTON No. 42, Denver, January 2. Installing officer, Jennie McGill. Joint with Post. A pleasant time.

JOE HOOKER No. 43, Monte Vista, January 10. Installing officer, Bell M. Packard. Good attendance.

J. C. FREMONT No. 45, Littleton, January 4. Installing officer, Dora Horton. Joint with Post and public.

In concluding, I must repeat the remarks of my predecessor, by saying that much annoyance, time and expense would be saved if more care was taken in forwarding reports to the proper officers.

Mrs. President, I cordially thank you for the honor bestowed upon me, and for the many kindnesses and courtesies extended, and the many encouragements you have given me.

And you, Mrs. Hartzell, Department secretary, have my hearty thanks for the assistance you have always so cheerfully rendered.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

DELIA F. BUELL,

Department Instituting and Installing Officer.

Moved by Clara Rapp and seconded by convention, to adjourn to 2:30 o'clock, P. M. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order promptly at 2:30. At request of Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Martha Evans was appointed assistant conductor for the afternoon. The password was taken and the credential committee reported 138 delegates present.

Mrs. Ella Byers, chairman of the Department relief committee, read an interesting account of the work done during the year.

Report of Department Relief Committee.

DENVER, COLO., May 1, 1899.

MRS. HESTER HARTZELL, Department Secretary W. R. C.

MADAM—I have the honor to submit the following report for the ten months ending July 1st. I was appointed chairman of the Department relief committee July 1, 1898.

I have received during my term of office the following sums of money:

July 18, 1898.....	\$ 10.00
August 13, 1898.....	10.00
October 31, 1898.....	10.00
December 1, 1898.....	10.00
February 11, 1899.....	10.00
March 18, 1899.....	10.00
My assistant, Mrs. Benton, received.....	15.00

Total amount received.....\$75.00

Disbursements are as follows:

July 28, 1898, Railroad ticket and meals for old soldier.....	\$ 3.35
Aug. 1, " Assistance for soldier's family (by Mrs. Benton).....	5.00
Aug. 5, " Gave soldier's widow.....	1.25
Aug. 12, " Gave soldier's daughter.....	1.75
Aug. 22, " On ticket to Trenton, Mo., for soldier's widow....	2.50
Aug. 30, " On comrade's ticket to Soldiers' Home.....	1.50
Aug. 31, " Carriage for funeral.....	1.00
Aug. 31, " Gave soldier's widow.....	2.00
Mrs. Benton did the relief work during my absence from the city during September.	
Oct. 6, " Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00
Oct. 13, " On comrade's ticket to Soldier's Home.....	1.00
Oct. 20, " Gave soldier's widow (for rent).....	2.00
Oct. 26, " Gave soldier's widow.....	2.00
Nov. 14, " Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00

Nov. 10,	"	Gave soldier's widow (coal).....	2.00
Nov. 21,	"	Gave comrade (coal).....	2.00
Nov. 22,	"	Gave soldier's widow (rent).....	2.00
Nov. 30,	"	Gave soldier's widow (coal).....	1.00
Nov. 30,	"	Gave soldier's widow (groceries).....	2.00
Dec. 15,	"	Gave soldier's widow (rent).....	2.00
Dec. 24,	"	Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00
Dec. 30,	"	Paid Medical Mission for meals.....	.50
Jan. 21, 1899,	"	Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00
Jan. 31,	"	Groceries for soldier's family.....	1.00
Feb. 9,	"	On ticket for soldier's widow (Neb.).....	2.00
Feb. 13,	"	On funeral expenses of comrade.....	2.00
Feb. 15,	"	Minister's car fare.....	.50
Feb. 15,	"	Soldier's widow funeral expenses.....	3.00
Mch. 22,	"	Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00
Apr. 20,	"	Gave soldier's widow (rent).....	2.00
Apr. 25,	"	Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00
May 1,	"	Bed for soldier's widow (sick).....	.50
May 1,	"	Gave Mrs. Benton, to help soldier's family.....	3.00
May 1,	"	Gave soldier's sick wife.....	.50
		Car fare and postage.....	4.85

Mrs. Benton used \$15.00 she received from the Department as follows:

Paid rent for soldier's family.....	3.50
Groceries for soldier's family.....	2.00
Fuel and groceries for soldier's family.....	2.25
Groceries and medicine for soldier's widow.....	2.75
On ticket to Philadelphia, for soldier.....	2.00
Gave soldier's widow.....	1.00
Medicine for old comrade.....	1.50

Total amount paid out.....\$75.20

Donations other than money, including clothing, fuel and railway fare, were \$61.50. I have made eighty-one calls on the sick and needy. Mrs. Benton, my assistant here in the city, has been ready and willing to do her part at all times, and has been a great help to me.

We have found many sad homes and heavy hearts, and have done all we could to cheer and help them. We have tried to do the work and use the money to the best of our ability.

I wish there could be a little time spent each year during the convention in talking over the different ways of doing relief work. I think it would help us all.

And now, Mrs. President, I want to thank you for all your kind words and good advice, and for the assistance you have given me during the year. I have enjoyed the work, and in doing it have learned to know and love you.

May the next relief committee have as pleasant a year.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ELLA M. BYERS, Chairman.

Report of Delegate at Large.

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., May 3, 1899.

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THIS CONVENTION:

In accordance with an established custom, I take pleasure in submitting a brief report of the Sixteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, held in Cincinnati, Ohio, September 8th and 9th, 1898.

Colorado should feel proud of the large delegation sent from the borders of her State, as each Order was well represented. This Department was represented by Department President Lucy M. Campbell, Past Department Presidents Catherine Kennedy and Mary L. Carr, Department Treasurer Clara Rapp, Delegates Libbie K. Daniels, Ellen Wheatley and your humble servant. The official train commanded by Colonel May and staff left Denver, by the Union Pacific, on Saturday evening, September 3d, and, as it consisted of six coaches, it was made a special; therefore, followed the regular train. Many courtesies were extended by Colonels May and Kennedy; both were untiring in their efforts in making every arrangement possible for the comfort of the excursionists. After an uneventful trip of two days, we arrived in Cincinnati on Monday evening, and to the inspiring music of Cook's Drum Corps the entire delegation marched through the street to the Gerdes hotel, where Department headquarters were established in connection with those of the Grand Army.

Cincinnati, with its beautiful parks, suburban villas and picturesque river, is certainly a lovely city of modern improvements, and deserves the name of the "Queen City of the East." The decorations were most elaborate; several imposing white arches, representing modern architecture, studded with hundreds of various electric light shades in beautiful designs, were erected in different parts of the city. Covington and Newport, just across the river, showed their appreciation of the veterans by their profuse and magnificent decorations of homes and public buildings. The citizens' committee had made every arrangement for the reception and entertainment of their guests, by way of receptions, camp fires, musicales, and as a souvenir the delegates were presented with a small knap-sack in black enameled paper and lettered in gilt, which contained a booklet of coupon passes, admitting them to the various excursions free of charge. Lack of time, however, prevented us from taking advantage of but a few of them. The most interesting place I visited while in Cincinnati was the little trip to Fort Thomas, Kentucky, a six mile electric car ride across the river. Fort Thomas is beautifully located on the banks of the Ohio, and has every improvement of a modern fort. A pathetic feature at this time was the three hundred and fifty sick soldiers brought up from the South. The hospitals were filled with the sick and wounded of the battle at Santiago. It was not permis-

sible to talk with any of the convalescents, much to our regret; but it was a pleasure, at least, to give one poor fellow our Colorado delegates' badge, which he seemed to appreciate as a souvenir. One thousand colored immunes were being drilled here to be sent to Cuba October 1st.

The Woman's Citizens' Committee gave a delightful reception in honor of their guests in Scottish Right Cathedral on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Governor Bushnell assisted in receiving. A beautiful hall, festooned and decorated with the national colors, flags, plants and flowers, with a host of elegantly attired ladies, leaves a pleasant memory of the occasion. Orchestral music and a male quartette enlivened the evening with their excellent music. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Martin, National President, assisted by her staff, held a reception in honor of General Gobin, at National headquarters, the Grand Hotel. The parlors and halls were well filled during the entire evening, and was a delightful and brilliant affair. On Wednesday morning the grand parade took place. I was fortunate to have a seat near the reviewing stand, and for the second time viewed this grand body of soldierly bearing men. The day being cool permitted many to join their comrades in this grand march. Although thirty-three years has passed since the first triumphal review, yet the same enthusiasm and expression of gratitude was evidenced by the people, young and old, as if the day of victory was but yesterday. The parade numbered 16,500 heroes, who tramped with swinging step to the inspiring music of 132 bands. The great number of tattered banners and flags borne by them testified to their devotion to Old Glory, and the part they took in the preservation of the Union. I will not dwell on the many novelties introduced by the different departments, as time and space forbids.

The Convention convened on Thursday morning in Scottish Right Cathedral at 9, A. M., and was called to order by the National President, Sarah J. Martin, who presided during its sessions with her usual grace and dignity. Roll call found every officer present. The National Chaplain led in prayer, which was followed by the singing of the opening ode. Miss Anna Laws, Chairman of the Ladies' Citizens' Committee, was presented to the Convention, and in beautiful and fitting terms gave a cordial welcome to the city and their homes. In behalf of the various womans' organizations and clubs of the city, she extended an invitation to all to avail themselves of the opportunity of meeting them at their receptions.

Vesta J. Shoemaker, President of the Department of Ohio, extended a cordial welcome in behalf of the 11,000 members of her department. A quotation she gave from Charles Sumner on our flag is worthy of repetition. He once said: "The very colors have a language—white is for purity, red is for valor, blue is for justice, and all together make the flag of our country to be cherished by all our hearts, to be uplifted by, all our hands." Mrs. Martin responded, and

in turn was presented with a vase of beautiful flowers. This session by vote was an open one, that all who wished might hear the address of the National President, which was a clear and concise report, showing that much had been accomplished during the past year in strengthening the Order, assisting the veterans, and disseminating patriotism. A careful consideration of all the officers' reports shows a flourishing condition of the Order. The following statistics may be of some interest to you: The secretary's report shows an aggregate of 144,245 members, a net gain of 4,060; number of Corps, 3,254; expended for relief, \$155,160.41; balance in relief fund of Corps, \$56,468.29. This large amount expended for relief proves this to be a very charitable organization indeed, and many have been made glad thereby. The treasurer's report shows the assets of the organization to be \$18,997.02, with no liabilities. This report was received with great enthusiasm, and to show the good will of the Woman's Relief Corps to the Grand Army, two thousand dollars was voted to that organization by unanimous vote. Mrs. Bagley was delegated to make the presentation, and, upon her return, reported the great surprise and emotion of Commander-in-Chief Sexton in receiving it. He concluded his expression of gratitude with "God bless the ladies." One thousand dollars was also voted to the Andersonville Prison Fund, to be used in improving and beautifying the grounds of that historic place. Also one thousand dollars was voted for the support of the National W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio, where sixty-five dependent widows and army nurses, who are most all invalids, are being cared for. The report of the matron shows that fourteen are past eighty years old, and as many more past three score and ten.

Past National President, Anna Wittenmyer, the revered army nurse, is continued on the pension legislative committee. Through her untiring efforts six hundred and sixty-five army nurses are drawing pensions, which aggregate near one hundred thousand dollars annually, thereby relieving the Woman's Relief Corps and Home of this burden and giving room for others more needy than themselves. The emergency fund, instituted by Past National President, Mrs. Martin, will be continued on the same plans as long as our boys at the front demand its existence. Good work has been done along this line—\$16,993.07 has been received, \$11,379.28 has been expended, and supplies sent out to the amount of \$6,352.97.

Among those who honored the convention with their presence were General Ransom Post, of St. Louis, who came preceded by their band playing "Marching Through Georgia." Each officer of the Post was escorted and introduced by a Past National President and they were received by the handkerchief salute. Besides their many kind wishes and cordial greetings, they came with handfuls of fragrant flowers, which they presented to the president and secretary. Other prominent G. A. R. men, who paid their respects, were Quartermaster-General Burrows, chairman of the official committee from

the Grand Army. Comrade Burrows, in eloquent terms, paid a glowing tribute to their auxiliary; he expressed the appreciation of the Grand Army for the contribution for Memorial Day in the South, whereby they were enabled to purchase forty-two thousand flags to send to the south and national cemeteries. The other members of the committee had nothing but words of praise and encouragement. Comrade Burst, of Pennsylvania, extended a cordial invitation to the convention to meet in the "Quaker City" this year.

Our late Commander-in-Chief, James R. Sexton, waited upon the convention and was received with applause. He pledged his loyalty to the Order by saying, if he was not a friend of the W. R. C. he would resign his position. Mrs. Miller, National President elect, pledged to him the fealty and support of the organization. By the death of this honored comrade the Order has lost a true friend.

National President Mrs. Martin called the National aides to the platform and introduced them to the convention, whereupon Mrs. Hall, chief of staff, presented, in fitting terms, the president with a handsome ring and brooch, studded with diamonds.

Mrs. Fannie Gee, president of Mrs. Martin's home Corps in Brookfield, Mo., presented her with a handsome cut-glass dish.

Another highly appreciated testimonial was a gavel made of wood from Mt. Vernon, bound with metal from a piece of six-inch gun carriage of the battleship "Maine."

A courtesy extended by the Ladies' Executive Committee was an elegant course luncheon, served to the delegates both days of the convention in the spacious banquet hall on the third floor of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Covers were laid to serve four hundred.

Election of officers took place on the afternoon of the second day of the convention, and resulted in the election of Flo Jamison Miller as National President. The convention made no mistake in their choice, as she will bring new life and enthusiasm to the Order. I will not mention the other officers, as all have been announced through general Order. Mrs. Wickins installed the officers at a late hour on Friday evening, and the Sixteenth National Convention was brought to a close after a most successful and harmonious session. It undoubtedly inspired its three hundred and seventy-five delegates present to greater work and zeal for the Order and to the principles to which it stands pledged in assisting that noble organization, the Grand Army. Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Delegate at Large.

Report of Chief Aide.

OFFICE OF CHIEF AIDE,

DENVER, COLO., April 30th, 1899.

MRS. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary W. R. C.:

MADAM—I have the honor to submit the following report of Chief Aide:

Upton, No. 2, Pueblo. Reports 29 members in good standing; three delinquents, and one lost by death. Have done considerable relief work. Corps in good financial shape. Good attendance at meetings. Post and Corps work harmoniously. All have the interest of the Order at heart.

George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver. Reports 71 members in good standing. Reinstated 2 and suspended 5. Corps in first-class financial condition. All members working for the interests of the Order and solicitous for its welfare. A great deal of relief has been extended. Post and Corps work in harmony. Have visited four Corps.

James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville. Reports a membership of 58. Reinstated 9 delinquents. Have done much relief work during the winter, which has been a very trying one. Are in good financial condition. Work harmoniously with Post, and hope to continue in the good work.

U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley. Reports 55 members in good standing, with an average attendance of 19. Three new members added and four reinstated, with the most amicable relations existing between Post and Corps.

Corps No. 17, Grand Junction. Reports 66 in good standing, with a gain of 8 by initiation and 1 by transfer. Lost 1 by death, 2 by transfer and 2 dropped. Corps prosperous and all enthusiastic for the good of the Order. Post and Corps work in harmony.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen. Reports 17 new members, with 6 delinquents, which they hope soon to reclaim. Post and Corp work in harmony.

Reno, No. 21, Denver. Reports a membership of 50, 4 having been added during the year. The open meetings of Post have been held occasionally and prove to be of much profit, binding Post and Corps more closely in carrying on the noble work for which we are organized.

James W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek. Reports Corps in a flourishing condition, with efficient officers, who take interest in the work. Ten new members have been added and one reinstated.

George H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins. Reports that never was the Corps in a more flourishing condition. Fifty members in good standing. Many delinquents are returning to the fold. New applications for membership are read at nearly every meeting. Relief work has been extensive, and the fund ample for all demands. The Post has lately purchased a new hall, and the Corps are using their

best efforts to aid them, all for the best interests of the G. A. R. and W. R. C.

E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida. Reports Corps doing finely and taking many new members. A great deal of relief work is being done. The most harmonious relations exist between Post and Corps.

A. E. Burnside, No. 38, Loveland. Reports 24 members in good standing. All live, active workers, who in three months have, by persistent effort, paid a debt which hung like the sword of Damocles over their head and have money in the treasury. Done some relief work.

Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada. Reports 16 members in good standing. Have been very much discouraged, but hope to have more interest taken in the future. Corps meets twice a month at the president's house, with an average attendance of 10.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver. Reports 57 members in good standing, with an efficient corps of officers, and all working for the good of the Order. Post and Corps work in harmony.

George Washington, No. 42, Denver. Reports Corps in a prosperous condition; 10 new members and 3 reinstated this year. Most harmonious relations exist between Post and Corps.

J. C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton. Reports 25 members in good standing. No delinquents. Number added to the Corps in the last year, 7. Always ready to assist the G. A. R. when called upon, with which they work in perfect harmony.

Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo. Reports 45 members in good standing. Have lost 2 by honorable discharge and 1 reinstated. Corps in flourishing condition. At present preparing a memorial entertainment to be given on the evening of May 30.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder. Reports a prosperous Corps, with a membership of 92. Has an efficient corps of officers, and a fair attendance. All relief supplied as needed, and the emergency fund which was established has been the means of relieving some distress among the families of the soldiers who served in the Spanish war.

Farragut, No. 1, Denver. Reports 10 new members added, 1 lost by transfer, and have 52 members in good standing. The officers are efficient and all members are working in hearty co-operation for the interests of the Order. Have visited 5 Corps and made 25 visits among Corps members.

I heartily thank the ladies who responded to my circular letter, and hope to renew the acquaintance at the convention. And to you, Mrs. President, for the honor conferred, also your words of cheer and wise counsel; to you, Mrs. Secretary, for courtesies received; to the Department Treasurer, Mrs. Clara Rapp, for favors which I shall always remember. You have all proved kind friends.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

EMMA C. SCRIVNER,
Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

Report of Committee on Legislation.

MRS. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary:

MADAM—Your committee on legislation for the removal of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, appointed by the last Department convention to assist the committee of the G. A. R., promptly tendered its services, and the same were accepted. In fact, there was a joint committee comprised of the G. A. R. and those representing all the Auxiliary associations, with the following named officers; John W. Browning, chairman; Mrs. Debra Moser, of the W. R. C., and Mrs. C. M. Baker, of the Ladies' of the G. A. R., as vice chairman; M. S. Crawford, secretary, and Mrs. Mary U. Calvert, of the W. R. C., as assistant secretary.

Frequent meetings were held in the Department headquarters at the State Capitol, in which your committee took an active part. On the evening of September 5th, we all met at Colorado Springs, where we secured the adoption, by each convention then in session, of a pledge to remove the Home from Monte Vista. This pledge was subsequently adopted by the convention which convened in Denver. The work accomplished at the several conventions was of great assistance to us, as many members of the lower house were influenced by this action to vote in favor of the bill, when it came up for final passage. The bill was prepared by the Department Commander W. T. S. May, Past Department Commanders B. L. Carr, A. V. Bohn, U. S. Hollister and Comrade J. B. Cooke, and was introduced in the house by Comrade W. R. Kennedy, of Leadville, a member of that body. His efforts were ably seconded by Past Department Commander John W. Browning, also a member of the house, who worked with continued zeal and interest to secure the passage of the bill.

The act provided for the appointment of a commission of five to erect a new home, and appropriated forty thousand dollars out of the general fund for that purpose. It passed the house March 16th, with a vote of 43 to 16, but failed to receive consideration in the senate, on account of the rules of that body, which enables one senator to become an obstructionist.

Afterwards the following resolution was introduced and passed both houses, and has been approved by the governor:

Senate concurrent resolution No. 12, by Senator Roe:

WHEREAS, The members of the Grand Army of the Republic are desirous of moving the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home from its present location, and

WHEREAS, It is believed by all concerned that some other institution should be located at or removed to Monte Vista before the Soldiers' Home is removed from its present location,

Be it Resolved, By the senate, the house concurring, that the governor be empowered and requested to appoint within ninety days from the adjournment of this session, a commission of five citizens, who shall receive no compensation except their actual expenses, and who shall investigate the whole subject of the removal of such Home,

and who shall prepare and submit to the next session of the legislature such bill or bills, as they may deem proper and just, looking to and providing for a just and fair exchange that will remove the Soldiers' Home to, or near one of the following cities, viz: Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Golden or Brighton, and which shall provide for locating at or removing to the present Soldiers' Home site some other State institution that will be a fair and just exchange for the loss to the people of Monte Vista for the removal of the Soldiers' Home; *Provided*, That the Home for Incurable Girls shall not be considered in such exchange; and *Provided*, that two members of such commission shall be residents of Monte Vista and three members shall be members of the Grand Army; and *Provided further*, that such commission shall arrange for donations looking to the establishment of the new home for the soldiers' and sailors' at or near one of the cities above named.

There was also passed by the two houses and signed by the governor, a bill introduced by General Browning amending the present law affecting the management of the Soldiers' Home, providing that the Soldiers' Home Commission shall have sole and absolute care and direction of all the affairs of the Home, and report direct to the governor, instead as heretofore being under the control of the State Board of Charities and Correction; also that it shall not be necessary for a Colorado volunteer to reside in the State one year before being eligible for admission to the Home. The amendments also provide that the doors of the Home shall be open to those who served in the recent war with Spain.

We do not recommend a continuance of this committee, as nothing can be done before the meeting of the next Department encampment, when we have no doubt another legislative committee will be appointed to take this matter up for presentation to the Thirteenth General Assembly, when we hope that the removal will be provided for.

We regret that our labors were not crowned with success, but we are satisfied that the work already accomplished will have its influence upon future consideration of this matter.

The members of our committee were always treated with consideration by the Grand Army committee in all matters, and your committee was fully represented on all sub-committees appointed by the chairman of the joint committee.

In conclusion, special mention should be made to the interest and zeal manifested by our chairman, John W. Browning, who left nothing undone by which to effect the passage of the bill; also to the good work done by Department Commander May, Past Commander Hollister, Comrades Baker and Crawford, and Mrs. Campbell, our Department President; Mrs. R. R. Webb, Ruth E. Foote, Amos Bissell and Mary R. Ellis.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

MRS. DEBRA MOSER, 848 Broadway.
 MRS. HELEN McADAMS, 1839 W. 33d Ave.
 MRS. MARY U. CALVERT, State Capitol.
 MRS. EMMA B. HOBART, Denver.
 MRS. AMANDA WEIL, Las Animas.
 MRS. CHARLOTTE COE, Golden.
 MRS. CLARA GREEN, Arvada.
 MRS. LUCY DRESSER, Greeley.
 MRS. JENNIE CHAPMAN, Littleton.

Mrs. Hardin, chairman of committee on courtesies and telegrams, reported having sent telegrams to Ella L. C. Dwinell, who was unable to be present on account of sickness in her family; Mary Jewett Telford, Augusta B. Henderson, Anna B. Holliday and Laura S. Dodge, Past Department Presidents and to the Department of California and Nevada. A letter to Mrs. Byron L. Carr, written to be sent out in the evening mail, was read by Mrs. Hawes. Moved by Mrs. America Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Kennedy, that the Convention take action by adopting it. Motion carried.

Sadie M. Fisher, chairman of committee on resolutions, reported the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

WHEREAS, It has pleased an all-wise Providence to remove by death, Byron L. Carr, of Longmont, Colorado, and

WHEREAS, The Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming have always recognized him as one of the loyal, staunch supporters in the brotherhood of comradeship, and

WHEREAS, His widow, Mary L. Carr and children, are bound to our organization by the strongest ties of love and affection, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Department Convention express to these bereaved ones our tender sympathy and heartfelt condolence in the irreparable loss of this great and good man, idolized husband, and indulgent father, and with this tribute, the National President, Flo J. Miller adds to our tears those of her own, and expresses with us the hope that as time moves its slow wings over the wounds, may the healing balm fall, and may the clouds brighten in the assurance "that all shall meet again."

"Console if you will, we can bear it,
 'Tis a well-meant aim of breath,
 But not all the preaching since Adam
 Can make death other than death."

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

Officers and delegates of the Fifteenth Annual Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, we do hereby offer to Comrade Col. S. M. French our sincere appreciation of his faithful and untiring efforts in behalf of the comrades, inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, and feel that he is further entitled to our deepest sympathy in the loss of his most estimable wife, Hattie M. French, and in this testimonial we ask to lay a leaf of rosemary on her grave.

RESOLUTION NO. 3.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, the Governor of the State of Colorado.

The Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming send greeting; and

WHEREAS, It has been the privilege of the officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, to annually set aside a committee to visit the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, Colo., and

WHEREAS, In the report of this committee we are informed of the efficiency of the present Commander, Col. S. M. French; therefore be it

Resolved, That we earnestly request your excellency to retain Comrade French in said position, in recognition of his able and

efficient services and interest in the old comrades, inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista.

RESOLUTION No. 4.

WHEREAS, It has been the will of the Divine Ruler of the Universe, to remove by death, the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, thereby leaving this great band of comrades to mourn the loss of an esteemed commander and co-worker, he being recognized as an earnest, loyal man, devoted to his family, friends, comrades and the Woman's Relief Corps; therefore,

Resolved, That this, the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, extends to this whole body of patriotic brotherhood our sincere and heart-felt sympathy.

Resolved, That standing at an open grave of a brave and perchance eventful life, our language is empty and vain, and although monuments have been erected to heroes and heroes' deeds, some casting shadows on clear waters, others standing above mountain tops, but neither classic bust, monumental marble, nor stately urn, can add to the glory of our dead comrades."

Loving hands can and will place the evergreen and rose on the humble mound, which marks the resting place of loved ones gone to the other shore.

Resolved, That as the wife, sons and daughters of Comrade Sexton gather around the hearthstone, and see his "vacant chair," they know from his many friends, and those who loved and knew him best, tears will flow among the violets and for-get-me-nots on his grave, and of him think, "there's nothing so kingly as kindness," "there's nothing more loyal than love."

Resolved, That in this severe affliction, his family will feel and realize, there is a spot in "God's Acre" for them to keep green, and be reconciled to say,

"We know thou art gone to the home of thy rest,

Then why should our souls be so sad?

We know thou art gone to the home of the blest,

And we can look up and be glad."

RESOLUTION No. 5.

Resolved, That the thanks of the visiting delegates are hereby tendered to M. M. Crocker Corps for the beautiful exemplification of the Ritual, and to all the Corps of Denver for the hospitable manner in which we have been received. That the thanks of the Convention are extended to the press of the city, the hotels and all others who have contributed towards the success of this, the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C.

RESOLUTION No. 6.

And to our National President, Flo Jamison Miller, do we extend our thanks for her presence at the Convention during its entire session, and for her many kindly and enthusiastic addresses. Her visit was an incentive, and will ever be remembered with pleasure by everyone present.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SADIE M. FISHER,

THERESA A. JENKINS,

LIDA E. DUNAGAN,

Committee.

TELEGRAMS.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

MARY L. CARR, Past Department President W. R. C., Longmont, Colo.:

The Fifteenth Department Convention send sympathy. Letter will follow.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT W. R. C., California and Nevada, Union Hall, San Diego, Cal.:

Fifteenth Department Convention W. R. C., Colorado and Wyoming, now in session, send greetings. Flo Jamison Miller, National President, with us.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY, Past Department President W. R. C., Laramie, Wyo.:

Fifteenth Department Convention W. R. C., Colorado and Wyoming, in session, send greetings.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL, Past Department President W. R. C., Colorado and Wyoming, Colorado Springs:

Fifteenth Department Convention, Colorado and Wyoming, now in session, send greetings.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

MARY JEWETT TELFORD, Past Department President W. R. C., Grand Junction, Colo.:

Fifteenth Department Convention W. R. C., in session, send greetings.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

LAURA S. DODGE, Past Department President W. R. C., Boulder, Colo.:

Fifteenth Department Convention W. R. C., Colorado and Wyoming, in session, send greetings.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

AUGUSTA B. HENDERSON, Past Department President W. R. C., 1126 Elm street, Cincinnati, Ohio:

Fifteenth Department Convention W. R. C., Colorado and Wyoming, in session, send greetings.

FANNIE D. HARDIN,
CLEMENTINE S. HAWES,
MARIAN S. KELLY.

LONGMONT, COLO., May 3, 1899.

MRS. FANNIE D. HARDIN, Department Convention Hall:

The kind message of sympathy extended by the Convention is indeed comforting to my grief stricken heart.

MARY L. CARR.

Report of Press Correspondent.

LARAMIE, WYO., April 20, 1899.

MRS. H. W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary W. R. C.:

DEAR MADAM: In accordance with Rules and Regulations, the report of the Department press correspondent is hereby submitted.

The Fourteenth Department convention endorsed the *National Standard*, of Denver, as the official organ of the Order in this Department. All Corps news received has been forwarded to one or more of the following publications: *National Standard*, *National Tribune*, *National Picket*, *Relief Corps Record* and *The Searchlight*.

As there are many periodicals published in the interest of the Relief Corps, and as there are no definite instructions for the press correspondent, the following recommendations are offered:

1. The Department president shall instruct the press correspondent regarding the periodicals to which Corps news is to be forwarded.

2. The Department press correspondent shall be furnished subscriptions to the papers or magazines which she is required to supply with news.

The work of this office has its pleasures in the receipt of pleasant letters, which accompany reports of Corps correspondents. Not having been able to reply to all these friendly missives, the Department press correspondent wishes to acknowledge the receipt of the same, and to thank the writers, as well as all Corps correspondents, who have made it possible for this Department to come in touch with others. Cordially yours in F., C. and L. ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department Press Correspondent.

Report of Department Treasurer on Soldiers' Homes at Monte Vista and Cheyenne.

DENVER, COLO., April 29, 1899.

MRS. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary W. R. C.:

MADAM: Having been appointed a committee to expend money donated by the Corps of this Department for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes at Monte Vista, Colo., and Cheyenne, Wyo., I hereby submit my report:

DR.

Cash received from Corps for Colorado Home.....	\$ 66.25
Cash received from Corps for Wyoming Home.....	20.00
Discount on books and periodicals.....	21.81

Total \$111.06

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Wyoming Home Check for overcoats	\$17.00
One year's subscription for Weekly Chicago Inter-Ocean, Wyoming Home	1.00
One year's subscription for Christian Herald, Success and Cosmopolitan, Wyoming Home	2.00
	\$20.00
Colorado Home—One year's subscription for Scribner's and portfolio of fifty pictures.....	5.00
Christian Herald, Success and Cosmopolitan.....	2.00
One year's subscription to periodicals (16).....	27.01
Fifty-six volumes bound books for library.....	50.05
One volume "Around the World with Eyes Wide Open"	1.00
	\$91.06
Total.....	\$111.06

When the Department president appointed me on this committee, I determined to devote my best efforts to this work which I love so well. The Corps responded liberally to the president's call for donations, and so I had the opportunity to visit the Home at Monte Vista twice and found the comrades provided with everything they needed. Under the management of Commander S. M. French, the Home was immaculate in cleanliness, the food good and well cooked. I know whereof I speak, as I took dinner with the comrades twice, both times unexpected. The treatment of the comrades is all that can be desired. Dear Mrs. French, whom we have lately laid away to rest from her labors and cares, was called the mother of the Home by the comrades, a title well deserved, as she was always planning and doing something for "the boys," as she called them. The last time I visited there was January 5th, and Mrs. French and the comrades had arranged a concert and entertainment for me, which I enjoyed and appreciated. Commander French recited a poem about our flag, and I noticed that "Old Glory" was represented by a picture; so when I returned home my husband and self sent a nice silk flag, five feet long, to the comrades, to be used in their assembly room and whenever they needed a flag on other occasions. The first time it was used was at the funeral of an old comrade, who had been confined to his bed for four years. I inquired what would be the most acceptable manner of spending the money donated, and the reply was invariably, reading matter. I give a statement of how the funds were expended. At Cheyenne the need was for overcoats, so the money was donated for that purpose, with the exception of \$3.00 which was used for literature, as specified by the donors. You will see that owing to the liberal discount I received I was enabled to purchase literature to the amount of \$91.06, instead of \$65.25, the discount amounting to \$25.81.

J. F. Reynolds donated \$30.00 and Casper W. Collins \$10.00 for overcoats for Wyoming Home. This was sent direct to the Home by the Corps. I hope my work will prove satisfactory. I spent many

hours in my selection and tried to do the best possible with the means at my command. I trust that we will remember the old comrades at the Home in the future, and never weary in our efforts to brighten the monotony of their lives by every means in our power.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

MRS. CLARA RAPP.

A motion was made, seconded and carried, that the report of the committee be adopted.

The following have donated to the funds for the Homes:

List for Colorado Home—Farragut 1, \$2.00; Reno 21, \$3.00; Veteran 14, \$10.00; T. H. Dodd 5, \$3.00; J. W. Anderson 23, \$1.00; S. M. French, \$1.00; M. M. Crocker 40, \$4.00; G. H. Thomas 26, \$1.00; Weekly Inter-Ocean, 1 year; W. T. Sherman 24, Christian Herald, Success and Cosmopolitan, 1 year, \$2.00; Grand Junction 17, \$2.00; George Washington 42, \$3.00; Jas. A. Garfield 8, \$10.00; Nathaniel Lyon 27, \$5.00; Sedgwick 3, \$1.50; Pfeiffer 25, \$1.25; M. M. Crocker 40, National Standard, \$1.00; U. S. Grant 15, \$5.00; Richardson 33, \$1.50; John C. Fremont 45, \$2.00; R. A. Cameron 18, \$2.50; Adams & Logan, editors National Standard, 50 cents; Mrs. Clara Rapp, \$1.00. Total, \$66.25.

List for Wyoming Home—M. M. Crocker 40, for overcoats, \$10.00; W. T. Sherman 24, 1 year's subscription to Christian Herald, Success and Cosmopolitan, \$2.00; G. H. Thomas 26, 1 year's subscription to Weekly Chicago Inter-Ocean, \$1.00; Farragut 1, for overcoats, \$2.00; J. W. Anderson 23, for overcoats, \$5.00. Total, \$20.00.

Report of Patriotic Instructor.

OFFICE OF PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,

FLORENCE, COLO., April 2, 1899.

MRS. HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary W. R. C.:

MADAM—I have deferred making my report until the last moment, hoping I might hear from more of the Corps, but as I can wait no longer I take pleasure in submitting the following:

The secretary kindly offered to send with the first "General Orders" of the year the report blanks, thereby saving postage. Blanks were furnished every Corps in the Department, requesting that they be filled and returned to the patriotic instructor. Many Corps have failed to respond, thus making the report very incomplete. Following is a brief report of committees on patriotic teaching in this Department:

Farragut No. 1. Reports flag hoisted on all special occasions. Eight thousand children giving flag salute. Suggests "If parents

would be more interested in patriotic work the children in the homes would be interested and thereby there would be more in the schools."

No. 2. No report.

Sedgwick No. 3. No report.

Colorado Springs No. 4. Send in a good report. All the rooms give the flag salute. Patriotism being taught in all the schools. Committee well pleased with work being done.

T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden. All schoolrooms have a flag and national holidays are observed.

George G. Meade No. 6. No report.

James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville. Sends one of the best reports. All the schools (six) hoisting flag during school hours. Twenty-seven rooms and one thousand and five hundred and fifty-one children giving salute. Each room has a Declaration of Independence chart.

No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo. No report.

North Fork No. 11. No report.

Gunnison No. 12. No report.

Casper W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo. Report national holidays and citizens' Sunday observed, and recommends that they secure more primers and more flags. Schools very much interested in patriotic work.

Veteran No. 14, Denver. Report only part of school give flag salute, and suggest that prizes be given for the best patriotic essays and all grades compete.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley. Show much interest in patriotic work. The teachers and scholars joined in gathering and sending flowers for Memorial day, and have patriotic instructions in the way of talks from old soldiers and other patriotic exercises.

Wadsworth No. 16, Rocky Ford. No report.

Grand Junction No. 17. Report good work done, and are well pleased with the effort of most of the teachers in teaching patriotism each after their own idea, which is often most commendable.

R. A. Cameron No. 18, Ft. Morgan. No report.

Winfield J. Scott No. 19, Aspen. No report.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyo. Report nine hundred and fourteen children give the flag salute. Flags in sixteen rooms. Excellent work has been done by this committee.

Reno No. 21. Flags are hoisted all national holidays. Many rooms have flags, but few give the salute and none have the Declaration of Independence chart. Patriotic contests are held in the high grades.

Mulligan No. 22, Springfield. No report.

J. W. Anderson No. 23, Cripple Creek. No report.

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans. School hoists flag during school hours. Patriotism is not taught as much as it ought to be. We can not interest teachers in the work.

Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa. No report.

George H. Thomas No. 26, Ft. Collins. Two schools hoist the flag during school hours. All the children in school give flag salute.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder. All schools display flag during school hours and all children give flag salute. At the present time the war has given the children all the patriotism that is necessary.

Ellsworth No. 28, Central City. No report.

Elbert County No. 29. In all the schools is patriotism taught.

Jim Bowie No. 30, Amethyst. Four school rooms have flags and give flag salute.

A. J. Smith No. 31, Florence. Patriotism is taught in all the schools, every room having a flag. All the rooms above the primary grades can give the flag salute, but do not give it regularly. The music used in the school is nearly all patriotic. We have a great assistant in our principal, who believes in teaching the spirit of patriotism as well as the letter.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont. It is recommended to teach thoroughly all the principles of the Declaration of Independence, especially that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed.

Richardson No. 33. No report.

Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta. No report.

Major Anderson No. 35, Arvada. No report.

Akron No. 36, Akron. No report.

E. M. Stanton No. 37, Salida. No report.

A. B. Burnside No. 38, Loveland. Patriotism taught in all the schools, but the histories in use do not meet with their approval.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou. No report.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver. Twelve schools hoist the flag during school hours and one thousand children give the flag salute.

Victor No. 41, Victor. No report.

George Washington No. 42, Denver. Have done good work. Patriotism is taught in all the schools.

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista. No report.

John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton. Report flags on all the school houses, and quite an interest in the work.

And now, Mrs. President, I want to extend to you my thanks for my appointment and for your encouragement in all my work. It caused me a great deal of anxiety for fear of my ability to do the work. But though wanting in experience, I am not in enthusiasm.

Respectfully submitted.

ELLA WAYNE,
Patriotic Instructor.

Report of Executive Board.

DENVER, COLO., May 2, 1899.

MRS. LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Department President, and Members of the Council:

The work of the past year has been very pleasant in its relations to the Department president and members of the council.

The Department is to be congratulated on the efficiency of its officers, and the economical and pains-taking manner in which Department secretary and treasurer have conducted the affairs pertaining to their offices.

On January 27th, by the advice of the Department president, the presidents of the six Denver Corps were called to meet with the Department officers, to decide on plans for the Department convention. From this executive committee other committees were appointed, which necessitated many other meetings, through all of which the utmost harmony and zealous endeavor for the furtherance of the principles of our beloved Order was manifest, and by thus bringing together members of the different Corps to work for our mutual good, friendships have been formed which will last through life, and we have been enabled to make preparation for the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C. with but little expense to the Department.

Through the medium of this report allow me to thank Mary E. Neeley, of the Executive board, and the presidents of the several Denver Corps, and all others who responded so willingly to the call of their chairman.

The books of the secretary and treasurer have been audited during the year as follows: October 15th, 1898; January 18th, 1899, and April 29th, 1899, by three members of the auditing committee, and they have been found correct in every detail.

There have been four council meetings during the year.

To the members of the Department council I will say that none know more fully than I, perhaps, how untiringly our Department president has labored to bring about a harmonious and friendly relation between the different woman's organizations, seeking to further the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic. She has taken the broadest conception of the motto, "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty," and yet has maintained the loyalty and dignity of our Order.

Sharing with her in anxieties, such as only mothers of those defending the honor of our flag can know, I have tried to carry out her wishes, and trust the year that has passed has proven anew that the Woman's Relief Corps is the faithful auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic. Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ANGIE C. GROVE,

Chairman Executive Board.

Mrs. Hardin, chairman of committee to destroy obsolete Department property, reported amount disposed of.

Moved by Mary A. Condit, seconded by Emma C. Scrivner, that the convention approve the action of the committee. Carried.

Mrs. Miller, National president, at the request of the convention, took this opportunity to make some remarks. She expressed her great pleasure in being present, in meeting old friends, and making new ones. She dwelt at length on the subject of suspended members, and her advice to Corps to reinstate such was heartily received and endorsed. Mrs. Miller advocates "free will offerings" from Corps to Post to pay the per capita tax on their suspended members, thereby allowing such the benefit of the good always had in attendance at Post meetings.

She told of her visit to the Stockade at Andersonville last month, and the surroundings there, part only of the original stockade being in existence. This is the property of the W. R. C., and it is expected to be kept as originally intended. Her idea was to erect a monument to the memory of the thousands who lost their lives while in that prison. She is firm in her faith of the good resulting from patriotic teaching; advises the continuation of the emergency fund started for the boys of 1898; that the amount of \$168,000 had been expended from the W. R. C. for them, in addition to the work done for the veterans. Spoke of her pleasure in being in Denver, the birth-place of the organization.

Mrs. Todd, chairman of committee on president's address, read report and recommended the adoption of report and recommendations.

MRS. PRESIDENT: The committee on the address of the president respectfully submits the following:

We have carefully read the report of the year's work of our Department president, and congratulate her upon the success of her labors. The growth of our Order, the perfect harmony existing in the Department to-day, is conclusive proof of her wise counsel and just administration.

We approve of the recommendation that members fully explain our object to those seeking admission to our Order.

Your committee heartily approve of the recommendation that this convention take action whereby cottages may be established in this Department for the comrade and his wife.

Respectfully submitted.

JANET L. TODD,
IDA CRITCHELL,
CLIMENA HOWARD.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Seeds, to adopt report of the committee. Carried.

Chairman of committee on counselor's report read report:

MRS. PRESIDENT: We find the report of the counselor thoroughly imbued with patriotic zeal for our Order, and that while her work has not been in an official capacity, we find she has accomplished much good for humanity and the Order. We take pleasure in recommending its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

IRENE McLAIN,
MARY A. REECE.

Moved by Arabella C. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Byers, to adopt report as read. Carried.

Mrs. Grove, chairman of the Executive board, read the report of the work of the board for the year; also reported as chairman of the auditing committee. Her report was adopted by the Department council.

Mrs. Ullmer, chairman of committee on report of Junior-Vice President, read report of the committee:

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

We, your committee on Junior-Vice President's report, have examined the same and recommend its adoption.

MARY E. ULLMER,
DEBRA MOSER,
SUSIE J. SEARL.

Moved by Stella Newman, seconded by Mrs. Buell, to adopt the report. Carried.

Moved by Jennie McGill, seconded by many, that the thanks of the convention be extended to Clara Rapp, Department treasurer; also the merchants of the city for the badges, which were procured through her untiring efforts. A rising vote was called, which was unanimous.

Alice M. Seeds, chairman of the committee on Report of Department secretary, read report of committee and recommended its adoption:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—We reviewed with pleasure the report of the secretary and find it an accurate and concise statement of the condition of the Department. The clearness and neatness of the same testifies to the conscientious manner in which her duties were performed, and we heartily recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
HELEN R. ELDRIDGE,
LOU BAKER.

Moved by Mrs. Coc, seconded by Miss Edna Hamilton, that report of committee be adopted. Carried.

Chairman of committee on Treasurer's report read report of committee and recommended its adoption:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—The committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's report have carefully done so, and as usual find it clear, concise and correct, showing an executive ability that any one may well be proud of. In possessing such a treasurer for the last three years our Department has been very fortunate.

Your committee do not approve recommendation No. 1, as it conflicts with National decisions. Recommendation No. 2 approved by committee. Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

M. E. HAMILTON,
SADIE M. FISHER,
KATE R. SAHRBECK.

Moved by L. K. Daniels, seconded by Hattie Culver, to adopt report of committee.

Moved, as an amendment by Mrs. Kennedy, that the recommendations be taken up separately, seconded by Mrs. Kingsford. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, to adopt recommendation No. 1, seconded by Mrs. Peters. Motion lost.

Misunderstanding the direct object of the continuance of the Emergency fund, Mrs. Miller explained it as a National issue, said action taken only by that body.

Motion by Theresa Jenkins, of Wyoming, to refer report back to committee, seconded by Mrs. Scrivner. Motion prevailed.

After an announcement by the Department president, that the election of officers would be held at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Thursday, May 4th, a motion to adjourn to 9 o'clock, A. M., Thursday, carried.

SECOND DAY.

Thursday, A. M., May 4th, 1899. Convention called to order at 9 o'clock. The President appointed Susie Rinn, of Veteran, and Esther Abbott, of Meade, as conductors.

Lord's prayer led by A. C. Johnson, Junior-Vice president. Password taken, followed by roll-call. Secretary announced 171 delegates present.

Minutes of previous day read. Moved by Olive Killin, seconded by Jennie Woodluff, that the minutes be adopted as read.

The report of the Department chaplain, in the absence of Adda Ulen, was read by Sarah E. Gardinier, of Laramie, with the convention standing. Report referred to committee.

Patriotic committee's report read and referred, when the hour for election of officers was announced. Helen R. Eldridge, Olive Killen and Anna Babbitt, were appointed as tellers.

Moved by Minnie Macarey, seconded by Marie Rose, that the supplemental report of Department treasurer on Soldiers' Home be adopted. Carried.

Committee from Ladies' Aid to Sons of Veterans, announced. They were escorted to the platform by the color bearers. Mrs. Maud Whitney, chairman of committee, made some very touching remarks, pledging their loyalty to the women of the Relief Corps. Each of the committee had something pleasant to say. After the President had pinned our badges on the girls, they were escorted from the room. The committee were, Mrs. Maud Whitney, E. J. Meyers and Olive Kibby.

Nominations for Department President being in order, Ida DeLange placed the name of Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, of Rawlins, Wyo., in nomination.

Emma Scrivner nominated Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell, who thanked her, but declined.

Hester W. Hartzell nominated Alice M. Seeds, of Cripple Creek, and the President declared nominations closed, the tellers retiring.

Committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R. were introduced. Mrs. Ruth Foote, Past Department president of their Order, and chairman of the committee, spoke as follows:

To the officers and members of the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C.

We, the Ladies of the G. A. R. in convention assembled, extend to you fraternal greetings, with the assurance from us that we desire to express to you our appreciation of the noble band of loyal women that are organized, and held together in fraternity, charity and loyalty, to extend a helping hand to the deserving wards of our Grand Army, to scatter seeds of sunshine and comfort to the unfortunate veteran, and to aid and assist the widows and orphans of those who freely offered their lives that our country might live. Yours is a noble work, deserving of, and meriting the highest praise for your unselfish devotion to the fast thinning ranks of the old boys who wore the blue from '61 to '65, and to-day we wish you God speed in your grand work, with the assurance that our Order will ever hold in grateful remembrance all that you have done for our and your heroes.

RUTH E. FOOTE,
MARY A. HEFF,
B. M. COOK.

Lydia C. Young, chairman of committee on report of delegate-at-large, read the report of committee and recommended its adoption:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—We, your committee, heartily commend the delegate-at-large in so faithfully describing the many things of interest that came under her notice during her attendance at National convention, held at Cincinnati, September, 1898. The report is complete in every detail, and we cannot too highly commend the ability in recording that which will prove the most interesting to the members of our convention, as the position is one of the most important to be filled in our Department. We would recommend that hereafter delegates in their reports would not forget that Wyoming belongs to this Department. Colorado only is mentioned in this report.

LYDIA C. YOUNG,
MATHILDA J. HOTCHKISS,
OLIVE C. BUTLER.

Moved by Ella Byers, seconded by Delia Buell, to adopt report. Carried.

Jennie McGill, chairman of committee on I. and I. officer's report, reported as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT and Members of the Fifteenth Department Convention:

Your committee on Instituting and Installing officer's report would submit the following:

We have carefully examined the report and find that the work has been done in a very concise and conscientious manner, showing that to the best of her ability she has performed her duty.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and I.

JENNIE MCGILL,
NETTIE LUCAS,
SYBILLA P. DICK.

Moved by Lena Buechner to adopt the report, seconded by Susie J. Searl. Carried.

Ella Wayne, chairman of committee on report of Senior-Vice President, read report of committee :

We have carefully examined the report of our senior-vice and take pleasure in recommending its adoption, believing her work to have been faithfully and conscientiously performed.

ELLA WAYNE,
MARY E. CONDIT,
JENNIE CHAPMAN.

Moved by Persis Arnold, seconded by Theresa Jenkins, to adopt report. Carried.

Persis Arnold, chairman of committee on report of Department relief, read report of committee and recommend the adoption of report :

MRS. PRESIDENT and Members of the Department Convention :

Your committee on Department relief committee's report find that the work has been performed with great ability, carefulness, and love for the Order. We recommend that the report be accepted.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

PERSIS A. ARNOLD,
EMMA B. ORMSBY,
LIZZIE McDONALD.

Moved by Libbie K. Daniels, seconded by Eliza Peters, to adopt report. Carried.

Committee on Department treasurer's report reported Recommendation No. 1 not approved. Recommendation No. 2 approved.

Moved by Theresa Jenkins, of Wyoming, seconded by Rose Edwards, of Wyoming, to adopt report. Carried.

Chairman of committee on report of chief aide, Emma Godding, read report of committee and recommended its adoption :

MES. PRESIDENT and Members of the Fifteenth Annual Convention, Department Colorado and Wyoming :

We, the undersigned committee, have carefully examined the report of chief aide, Emma C. Scrivner, and recommend it to this convention for adoption.

EMMA GODDING,
IDA M. FALLIS,
HATTIE F. CULVER.

Moved by Lizzie McDonald, seconded by Ellen Wheatley, to adopt report. Carried.

Guard announced tellers ready to report.

Chairman Mrs. Eldridge reported whole number of votes cast, 155; necessary to a choice, 78; Mrs. Seeds, 109; Mrs. Kingsford, 46. The president declared Mrs. Seeds duly elected, and Mrs. Kingsford asked the privilege of escorting the president-elect to the platform, where she introduced her to the convention in her own beautiful manner.

Nominations for senior-vice president resulted in Mrs. Kingsford placing the name of Sarah E. Gardinier before the convention, and Mrs. Rapp that of Sarah B. C. Stephenson.

The president appointed as a committee to visit the Grand Army, all the Past Department presidents, together with the chairman of

Department relief and the Department president-elect, these to act as escort to the National president, Mrs. Miller, and her daughter, Miss Zola.

TO THE PRESIDENT and members of the Fifteenth Annual Convention of Colorado and Wyoming.

We, the undersigned committee, report favorably on the Chaplains report, and recommend its adoption by this convention.

Respectfully,

IDA DELANGE,
EMMA JOHNSON,
CARRIE BRISACK.

Moved by Mrs. Dunnagan, seconded by Mrs. Reece, to adopt report. Carried.

Chairman of committee on resolutions announced the committee ready to report, but were asked to defer reading report until after the exemplification of the Ritual in the afternoon.

The president appointed Mrs. Benton, Mrs. DeTolliver and Mrs. Hawes a committee to visit the Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. H. R. Johnson committee to visit Ladies' Aid to Sons of Veterans.

Mrs. Coe submitted report of committee on Patriotic Instructor's report:

LADIES OF THE CONVENTION: We have the honor to submit the following report:

After a careful reading of the report we heartily approve the work done, well knowing the task an arduous one. Hoping in the near future that "Old Glory" will float from every school house in this Department, yours in F., C. and L.

CHARLOTTE COE,
LENA BUECHNER,
MARIA A. GREGORY.

Moved by Mrs. Ellison, seconded by Mrs. Neeley, to adopt report. Carried.

Chairman of committee on report of Press Correspondent read report, and recommend its adoption:

MRS. H. W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary:

We, the committee on Press Correspondent's report, heartily recommend the report of the press correspondent, and think her selections worthy of approval. We approve of Recommendations 1 and 2.

IRENE B. COWIE,
ISABEL L. WOODS,
FRANCES KIRKPATRICK.

Moved by Mrs. Benson, seconded by Mrs. Woodruff, to adopt report. Carried.

Chairman of committee on Inspector's report, read report.

Before the convention took action, the secretary asked permission of the convention to eliminate the remarks in connection with No. 12 of Gunnison. Mrs. Jenkins of Wyoming, asked that the same request be extended to No. 9.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Gardinier, to accede to the requests, including that by Mrs. Wheatley, of Longmont. Carried.

Tellers reported 160 votes cast; necessary to choice, 81. Mrs. S. B. C. Stephenson, 93; Mrs. Sarah Gardinier, 67. Mrs. Stephenson was declared elected senior-vice president.

Chairman on Inspector's report read second report, and recommend its adoption, including the request of the Department secretary.

MRS. PRESIDENT:—We, your committee on Department Inspector's report, have carefully examined the same in all its details. The duties of the office have been faithfully performed.

We recommend the elimination of the unkind words used in the report of J. F. Reynolds No. 9 and Gunnison No. 12.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE T. SMITH,
FRANC RICE,
ELLEN J. WHEATLEY.

Moved by Mrs. Macarey, seconded by Mrs. Hutchinson, to adopt report. Carried.

Moved by Miss Fisher to adjourn to 1:30, P. M., seconded by many. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by president, who immediately turned the gavel over to Mrs. Easton, president of M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40, of Denver, which, it was announced, would exemplify the Ritual.

Committee from the Grand Army—Major Bohm, Colonel Essington and S. Newell Smith—were introduced. Each made delightful remarks, especially Major Bohm, who spoke with much feeling in regard to our beloved first Department president, Mrs. Catherine Kennedy, who is so dear to us all. After presenting the comrades with our badges, the color bearers had them retreat.

The floor work done by the Corps was absolutely without a flaw, and the continuous applause was well merited. The National president said she was delighted, and had no criticism to offer. At the conclusion, Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson presented Mrs. Campbell with a testimonial in the shape of a check for \$50.00, to which she responded with thanks.

The convention proceeded with the election of officers. Secretary called the roll and reported 152 delegates present.

Nominations for junior-vice president: Mrs. Arnold nominated Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. Jenkins nominated Miss Fisher, and Mrs. Condit nominated Mrs. Gardinier. Nominations closed.

Mrs. Klock reported on legislative committee's report, and heartily recommends its adoption:

MRS. LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Department President W. R. C.:

Your committee hereby endorse and commend the untiring and faithful work done by the legislative committee, and we, like them, regret that their efforts were not crowned with success. We feel that

the soldiers should be removed from Monte Vista at all hazards, without regard to the location of another State institution. While they are comfortable, they are entirely isolated from the outside world. Being old, feeble and decrepit, they seem in their dreary loneliness to be wishing for the last roll call. To every visitor the pathetic plea is made to take them away, and the good-bye is "Don't forget us."

We consider the joint resolution introduced in the senate only a subterfuge for putting off from time to time the removal of the Home to more desirable surroundings.

We are satisfied that by constant agitation by the Woman's Relief Corps the desired object can be attained.

We respectfully recommend that our Department president-elect use her influence to have at least one woman appointed a member of the Soldiers' Home Commission.

That our soldiers of the late Spanish-American war are worthy sons of noble sires, and are deserving the same loving care as patriots.

Respectfully submitted.

FRANCES S. KLOCK,
LIBBIE KENT DANIELS,
PARTHENIA M. McBETH.

Moved by Mrs. Coe, seconded by Mrs. Watson, to adopt the report of committee. Carried.

Mrs. Kennedy moved a rising vote of thanks to the legislative committee, seconded by Mrs. Neeley. Unanimous.

Mrs. Kennedy, chairman of committee to visit Grand Army, reported reception accorded to their committee. She felt deeply the honor in being selected as one on this pleasant mission. Each one of the committee made a speech to the comrades.

Tellers report no election, and the ballot was called again.

Miss Fisher, chairman of resolution committee, presented five resolutions for the consideration of the convention.

Tellers report votes cast, 142; necessary to a choice, 72. Miss Fisher, 81; Mrs. Gardinier, 50. Miss Fisher was declared junior-vice president.

Moved by Mrs. Ullmer, seconded by many, to adjourn to 9 o'clock, A. M., Friday. Carried.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, A. M., May 5th, 1899.

Convention called to order by the president, who appointed Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Domm conductors. Pass-word followed by opening ode and Lord's prayer. Minutes of Thursday's session read. Moved by Mrs. Macarey, seconded by Mrs. Gardinier, to approve minutes as read. Carried.

Mrs. Benton, chairman of committee to visit Ladies of the G. A. R., reported a delightful reception.

Mrs. Macarey, chairman of committee to visit Sons of Veterans,

reported a cordial welcome, and that the committee were told that over six hundred Sons of Veterans were in the Spanish-American war.

Mrs. Kyle, chairman of committee to visit Ladies' Aid to Sons of Veterans, reports a pleasant visit, and conveys their good-fellowship to this convention.

Mrs. Jenkins, of the committee on resolutions, reports on the first, second and third.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson to act on resolutions separately, seconded by Mrs. Gregory. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Coe to adopt resolution No. 1, seconded by Mrs. Woodruff. Carried.

Moved by Clara Rapp, that two copies of the third resolution be made - one for the Governor and one for the Board of Soldiers' Home Commission, seconded by Mrs. Peters. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Gregory, to adopt resolution No. 2, seconded by Mrs. Young. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Benson to adopt resolution No. 3, seconded by Mrs. Ullmer. Carried.

Resolution No. 4 read.

Moved by Mrs. Arnold, seconded by Mrs. Edwards, of Wyoming, and Mrs. Cole, of Alamosa, to adopt resolution. Carried.

Resolution committee continued to make further report.

Mrs. Grove moved that the next Department president embody in General Order a question, asking "How many sons and veterans are represented in the Spanish-American war?" The entire convention seconded the motion.

Nominations being in order for treasurer, the secretary called the roll and reported 128 delegates present.

Mrs. Grove nominated Mrs. Clara Rapp, seconded by many from Veteran, Crocker, Farragut and others.

Mrs. Julia Watson nominated Mrs. Dunnington, seconded by Mrs. DeTolliver, H. R. Johnson and others.

Nominations were declared closed.

With reference to recommendation in the treasurer's report on the emergency fund, Mrs. Rapp explained the position she took.

Mrs. Adams, of Boulder, called for remarks from the National president, who said when there was time she would respond.

Tellers report votes cast, 126. Mrs. Rapp, 73; Mrs. Dunnington, 53.

Mrs. Dunnington was the first to extend congratulations to Mrs. Rapp, who was declared elected as treasurer for the fourth term.

Mrs. Butler, in a good speech, nominated Mrs. Charlotte Coe for Department chaplain, seconded by the Golden delegation and many others.

Moved by Mrs. Jenkins, that the election be made unanimous, and the secretary cast the ballot of the convention, seconded by Mrs. Kingsford. Carried.

Mrs. Seeds nominated Mrs. Alice Smith for chairman of executive board, seconded by Mrs. Newman.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Kingsford, to make the election unanimous, the secretary casting ballot. Carried.

The question of second's names coming into minutes, moved by Mrs. Jenkins that the name of the maker of the motion and first one seconding be sufficient. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Jenkins nominated Mrs. Kelley, of Wyoming, as second member of the board.

Mrs. Seeds explaining the necessity of having the second member in the town where the president lived, Mrs. Jenkins withdrew Mrs. Kelley's name for second place, and Mrs. Leimberger nominated Mrs. Olive McKee, seconded by Mrs. Neeley.

Moved by H. R. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Killin, to make the election of Mrs. McKee unanimous. Carried.

Mrs. Kelley was elected as third member of the board.

Moved by Emma Johnson, to place Persis Arnold on the board as fourth member, seconded by Olive Butler.

Motion to make the election unanimous was lost.

Mrs. Julia Watson nominated Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Dresser.

Mrs. Benton nominated Mrs. Selleck, seconded by Mrs. Long.

Mrs. Peters moved to close nominations, seconded by Mrs. Daniels. Carried.

The secretary read the minutes of the council meetings held during the year.

Tellers report no election.

Committee from Sons of Veterans announced and introduced to the convention.

• Paul Limbach, chairman of the committee, made a pleasing talk. The other members of the committee were Harry Faulkner, E. L. Mack, W. H. Minturn, J. W. Duckworth and Joseph Powell.

Mrs. Miller, the National president, responded to the Sons in words which they will never forget.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lechow that the congratulations of the convention be extended to the president, on the good news from her son, Verner, in Manila: "Well and out of hospital," seconded by Mrs. Todd. Unanimous rising vote.

Tellers reported number of votes, 126. Mrs. Adams, 66; Mrs. Arnold, 45; Mrs. Selleck, 15. The president declared the election of Mrs. Adams.

Moved by Mrs. Smith to adjourn until 1:30, P. M. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order promptly. After the pass-word had been taken, the minutes of the morning session were read.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. McDonald, to approve minutes. Carried.

Election of an executive board continued. Mrs. Lechow nominated H. R. Johnson as the fifth member, seconded by Mrs. Leimberger; Mrs. Benton nominated Mrs. Selleck, and Mrs. Gregory nominated Mrs. Kauffman, seconded by Mrs. Moser. Nominations closed.

Roll call found 100 present.

Visiting comrades from the Grand Army were announced—Comrades Essington, Boyd, Pierce, Cutshaw and Upton, and Commander Pond, of Kansas. This committee brought an invitation to be installed jointly with them at Coliseum Hall, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Moved by Mrs. Macarey to accept the invitation, seconded by Mrs. Brisack. Carried.

All the comrades made short and appropriate remarks.

Tellers report no election.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Gregory, that a vote of thanks be extended the Denver Omnibus Company, for the free use of carriage to take the National president and her daughter, Miss Zola, over the city. Carried.

Miss Sadie Fisher continued her report on resolutions and recommendations.

Recommendations to the National W. R. C.

Recommendation No. 1:

Resolved, That we petition the National to change the Rules and Regulations so as to permit the chairman of Department relief committee to have a vote in the Department convention after her year's work.

Recommendation No. 2, offered by Victor Corps No. 41:

We recommend that our delegates to National convention be instructed to vote for the admission of G. A. R. men as honorary members of the Corps.

Recommendation No. 3, from a member of Meade No. 6:

WHEREAS, The boys who wore the blue and those who wore the gray have long since buried their differences, and the sons of both have met on foreign soil, and on common ground of loyalty to a reunited country and have freely given their lives in defense of its honor; therefore,

Resolved, That the words "I have never given aid or comfort to the enemies of the union" be eliminated from the applications for membership in the Woman's Relief Corps.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

SADIE M. FISHER,
THERESA A. JENKINS,
LIDA E. DUNNIGAN.

Moved by H. R. Johnson, seconded by L. K. Daniels, to adopt Recommendation No. 1. Motion lost.

Moved by Theresa Jenkins, seconded by Emma Adams, to adopt Recommendation No. 2. Motion lost.

Tellers report votes cast, 117. Mrs. Selleck, 59; Mrs. Johnson, 58. President announced Mrs. Selleck's election.

For delegate-at-large to the National convention, Mrs. Sarah Gardinier nominated Mrs. Kingsford, seconded by delegation from Wyoming and many others; Mrs. Hardin nominated Mrs. A. C. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Woodruff; Mrs. Julia Watson nominated Mrs. Hawes, seconded by Mrs. Beethan. Nominations closed.

Resolution committee continued the report. Recommendation No. 3 read.

Moved by Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Wayne, to adopt.

Mrs. Matheson, author of this recommendation, was not a delegate, but the convention granted her the courtesy of speaking on the motion. The vote resulted in a tie, and the Junior-Vice president, being in the chair, cast the deciding vote and the motion was lost.

Tellers report votes cast, 114. Mrs. Kingsford received 66 votes and was declared elected delegate-at-large.

Mrs. H. R. Johnson nominated Mrs. Woodruff as first delegate, and her election was made unanimous, the secretary casting the ballot of the convention.

Mrs. Hamilton nominated Mrs. Emma Johnson as second delegate, seconded by Mrs. Rapp; Mrs. Hartzell nominated Miss Raynie Hobart, seconded by Crocker delegation.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, that the assistant secretary be paid \$10, seconded by Mrs. Todd. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, that the proceedings of the Fifteenth Annual Convention be printed, the Past Department officers using their judgment as to the number, seconded by Mrs. Kingsford. Motion carried.

Reply to message sent Mrs. B. L. Carr was received and read to the convention by Mrs. Hardin. The message sent to the Department of California and Nevada was acknowledged by one to the National president, Mrs. Miller. Reply to telegram sent to Mrs. A. B. Holliday.

LARAMIE, WYO., May 3, 1899.

MRS. LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Department President W. R. C.:

DEAR MADAM:—Greetings to the Fifteenth Annual Convention. I regret I cannot be with you. Accept best wishes for a harmonious convention. May the spirit of our watchword guide your deliberations. Cordially yours in F., C. and L. ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Past Department President W. R. C.

Tellers report no election.

During the interval of business, Mrs. Miller made many little speeches of interest to the convention and answered many questions on the laws of the Order and Emergency fund.

Tellers report votes cast, 104. Mrs. A. C. Johnson, 54; Miss Hobart, 50. Mrs. Johnson was declared the second delegate.

Miss Sara Tucker was nominated for alternate-at-large by Mrs. Ormsby, seconded by Mrs. Seeds; Mrs. Kingsford nominated Mrs. Wayne and Mrs. Johnson nominated Mrs. McDonald. Nominations closed.

Mrs. Campbell, in behalf of the convention, thanked the National president for her presence, which had been an inspiration.

Mrs. Rapp moved a rising vote of thanks to the Department president for her able presiding and her just rulings.

Mrs. Dunnagan, as a native of Illinois, moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Miller, as her State was also Illinois, seconded by Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Hartzell, both from Illinois. Unanimous vote.

Tellers report votes cast, 96. Miss Tucker received 63 and was declared elected alternate-at-large.

Miss Hobart was nominated by Mrs. Killin, as first alternate, seconded by delegation from Crocker; Mrs. H. R. Johnson nominated Mrs. McDonald. Nominations closed.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, that all unfinished business, such as reading the minutes of the afternoon session, be left with the incoming council to transact, motion seconded by Mrs. M. E. Kingsford. Carried.

Tellers report votes cast, 93. Miss Hobart received 64 and was declared elected first alternate.

Mrs. Wayne nominated Mrs. Annie Hurst as second alternate; Mrs. Killin nominated Mrs. McDonald, seconded by Mrs. Seeds.

Tellers report votes cast, 86. Mrs. McDonald received 74 and was elected second alternate.

This closed the business of the Fifteenth Annual Convention, and a motion made by Mrs. A. C. Johnson to adjourn to meet at Coliseum Hall at 8 p. m. for installation with the Grand Army, seconded by Mrs. Reece, prevailed.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Public installation of the officers-elect of the Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, with the officers-elect of the Grand Army, was held in the Coliseum Hall and was largely attended. Mrs. Miller, the National president, was invited to act as installing officer, and Miss Edna Hamilton as conductor. Miss F. Raynie Hobart was the pianist of the evening. At the conclusion of the ceremony Mrs. Alice M. Seeds, after thanking the members of the convention for the honor conferred upon her, declared the Fifteenth Annual Convention closed.

Minutes of Department Council.

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., June 16th, 1898.

The first council meeting was called to order immediately after the installation of officers, the Department president, Lucy M. Campbell, presiding.

It was decided to pay the hotel expenses of the National president, Mrs. Sarah Martin, who had been the guest of the convention.

Moved by the counselor, Fannie D. Hardin, that the bill of \$9.00 be allowed, and an order drawn for the same, seconded by Sara E. Martin, of Gunnison. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Angie Grove, chairman of the auditing committee, that this council endorse the movement of the "Abraham Lincoln Memorial Association," under the auspices of E. M. Stanton Post No. 37, of Salida, Colo. Seconded by Junior-Vice President Arabella C. Johnson. Motion prevailed.

Minutes read and approved at the conclusion.

Minutes of afternoon session of convention read by the Past Department secretary, Miss Edna E. Hamilton.

Moved by Mary E. Neeley to approve the minutes, seconded by Sarah Williams. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to adjourn, subject to call of president. Carried.

Submitted in F., C. and L.

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Secretary.

DENVER, COLO., August 23, 1898.

The second council meeting was held at headquarters, 3151 Bert street, with the president in the chair. Opened with Lord's prayer led by the junior-vice.

There were present: Fannie D. Hardin, Department counselor; Arabella C. Johnson, junior-vice president; Clara Rapp, Department treasurer; Angie C. Grove, chairman executive board; Emma C. Scrivner, chief aide.

Mrs. Hardin presented the resignation of Mrs. Martha Evans, second alternate to the National convention, and placed the name of Mrs. Cox, of Meade Corps No. 6, in nomination, seconded by Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Cox was elected to fill the vacancy.

A discussion, in regard to taking Department banner to National convention, resulted in the matter being left to the discretion of the Department president.

Moved by Mrs. Grove, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, that a committee be appointed to secure a place of meeting for the next annual convention. The chair appointed Mrs. Grove, Mrs. Neeley and Mrs. Scrivner committee to act.

An invitation from Meade Corps to the Department president and staff to attend a lawn party at the residence of Mrs. Kirkpatrick this evening, August 23d, was read and accepted.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Grove, to adjourn, subject to call of president. Carried.

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Secretary.

DENVER, COLO., January 17, 1899.

The third council meeting was called to order at the headquarters, 3151 Bert street, by the Department president. Opened with Lord's prayer.

Present: Mrs. Hardin, Department counselor; Mrs. Rapp, Department treasurer; Mrs. Grove, chairman executive board; Mrs. Ullmer and Mrs. Neeley, members of the executive board; and Mrs. Scrivner, chief aide.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, that the Department invite the National president, Mrs. Flo J. Miller, to be the guest of the Fifteenth Annual Convention, held in Denver, seconded by Mary E. Neeley. Carried.

The insurance on the Department banner having expired, a motion was made by Mrs. A. Grove to renew the same for three years, and that an order for \$3.00, amount of premium, be drawn, seconded by Mrs. Ullmer. Carried.

The committee to secure hall for next convention reported as follows: Masonic Hall, \$5.00 per day, from 9 A. M. until 5 P. M.; Odd Fellows' Hall, probably for janitor's services; Enterprise Hall, \$7.00 per day; Baptist Church, \$15.00 per day. The committee was continued, to report to headquarters later.

Moved by Mrs. Grove, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, that the meeting adjourn, subject to call of president.

Submitted in F., C. and L. HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Secretary.

ALBANY HOTEL, DENVER, COLO., May 2, 1899.

The fourth council meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. L. M. Campbell.

Present: Lucy M. Campbell, president; Arabella C. Johnson, junior-vice president; Fannie D. Hardin, counselor; Clara Rapp, treasurer; Hester W. Hartzell, secretary; Angie C. Grove, chairman executive board; Mary E. Neeley, member executive board; Jennie McGill, assistant national inspector; Emma Scrivner, chief aide.

The chairman of executive board read report of the work of the past year.

Moved by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, to adopt the report.

The Department treasurer submitted the list of books and periodicals obtained and sent to the soldiers' homes at Monte Vista and Cheyenne, Wyo.

Motion to adjourn *sine die* was made by Mrs. Neeley, seconded by Mrs. Grove. Carried.

Submitted in F., C. and L.

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Secretary.

Decisions.

I. That as the Relief fund is held sacred to assist only the old soldier and his dependent ones, our members should fully explain the objects of the Order to those seeking admission.

II. That each Corps purchase a copy of the chart of the "Declaration of Independence," and place it in their schools.

III. That Inspectors instruct the proper officer of the Corps, if necessary, in making out correct reports.

IV. That our President-elect use her influence to have at least one woman appointed a member of the Board of Soldiers' Home Commission.

V. That the Department president instruct the Press Correspondent regarding the periodicals to which the Corps news is to be forwarded.

VI. That the Department Press-correspondent be furnished subscriptions to the papers or magazines which she is required to supply with news.

VII. That this convention take some action whereby cottages may be established in this Department for the old comrade and his wife.

Unofficial Proceedings.

The beautiful new hall of the Odd Fellows' was secured for the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C. Its convenience and comfort was appreciated by one of the largest delegations that has ever convened in this Department.

Wednesday, at 1:30, p. m., the W. R. C. viewed the parade of the G. A. R., and were pleased to see so many marching to the sound of the inspiring music of life and drum; even dear old Comrade Rapp, veteran of two wars, with his snowy crown covering his eighty years of active service, light of foot and heart as any of the boys.

Wednesday evening a camp-fire was held at Coliseum Hall, where the general public were royally entertained. Mayor Johnson welcomed the Grand Army to the city. Commander May responded

in his own inimitable way. Excellent remarks by Governor C. S. Thomas added to the program. Music by Cook's Drum Corps and Professor Howell's Orchestra.

As an announcement had been circulated that the Grand Army were to have an exclusive "bee" of their own, to which only such as could give the countersign would be admitted, the W. R. C. concluded to off-set this by giving a reception, which certainly was a success if numbers were the criterion. Elegant refreshments were served during the evening, and the committee in charge spared no pains to make every one feel that they were especially welcome.

Many thanks are due Comrade Fanning for the free use of the parlors, and his untiring efforts for the pleasure and comfort of all present, and for the beautiful decorations of the hotel.

DENVER, COLO., May 3, 1899.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER W. T. S. MAY and Comrades of the Twentieth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colorado and Wyoming:

GREETING:—I esteem it a privilege to transmit to you a report of the Relief dispensed by the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department during the past year:

Cash expended by Corps for Relief.....	\$1,419.42
Cash expended by Department for Relief.....	75.00

Total cash.....	\$1,494.42
Value of Relief other than money.....	\$2,934.57

Total Relief.....	\$3,528.99
Cash contributed to Colorado Soldiers' Home.....	\$ 66.25
Cash contributed to Wyoming Soldiers' Home.....	60.00
Contributions for Memorial day in the south.....	17.50
Contributions to National Council of Women.....	11.75
Contributions to Andersonville Prison fund.....	9.00
Contributions to National W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio.....	18.06
Contributions for other funds.....	38.60
Number of soldiers assisted.....	537
Total number assisted.....	1,227

There are now in this Department forty-two Corps, with a membership of 1,548.

Balance in General fund of Corps.....	\$1,466.69
Balance in Relief fund of Corps.....	1,130.76
Total value of Corps property.....	6,630.77

It is not only in dollars and cents that we have tried to serve you, but by caring for the sick and dying. Tender hands have administered the last sad rites and prepared the loved form for the grave. By the sacred memories of the past we pledge anew our loyal support.

I desire to express my thanks to you as the representative of the Grand Army of the Republic, and can say we have ever found you as a worthy adviser and a true friend of the Woman's Relief Corps, and

only hope that the relations of our organizations may always be as pleasant and harmonious in the future years as the present one has been. Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department President.

General Orders.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

DENVER, COLO., June 18, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS {
NO. 1. }

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the G. A. R. at the Department Convention, held at Cripple Creek, June 14th, 15th and 16th, 1898, I accept the trust knowing fully the arduous duties devolving upon the office. I trust I may be aided by all of the earnest women of our Order in the Department, and I pledge myself to increase the prosperity of the organization to the best of my ability.

I. Department Headquarters are hereby established at 3151 Bert street, Denver, Colo., and Hester W. Hartzell has been appointed Secretary, 213 South 12th street, Denver, Colo.

II. Mrs. Clara Rapp, 4151 Gray street, Denver, Colo., having been re-elected Treasurer, all orders for supplies will be addressed to her.

III. A list of elected and appointed officers will be announced in future orders.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department President.

Official:

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

DENVER, COLO., July 2, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS {
NO. 2. }

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, was held in Cripple Creek, June 14th, 15th and 16th.

Elaborate preparations had been made by the citizens of Cripple

Creek and James W. Anderson Corps, No. 23, for the entertainment of delegates, which were fully carried out.

The convention was honored by the presence of the National president, Mrs. Sarah J. Martin, whose dignified and gentle decisions will long be remembered. The following officers were elected:

President—Lucy M. Campbell, 3151 Bert street, Denver, Colo.

S. V. President—Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyo.

J. V. President—Arabella C. Johnson, Fort Morgan, Colo.

Treasurer—Clara Rapp, 4151 Gray street, Denver, Colo.

Chaplain—Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo.

Executive Board

Angie C. Grove, 3245 Williams street, Denver, Colo.

Mary E. Ullmer, Boulder, Colo.

Mary Neeley, 320 Irvington Place, Denver, Colo.

Emma Martin, Gunnison, Colo.

Lucinda Smith, 919 East Second street, Pueblo, Colo.

Delegate-at-Large—Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek, Colo.

First Delegate—Libbie K. Daniels, Denver, Colo.

Second Delegate—Ellen Wheatley, Longmont, Colo.

Alternate-at-Large—Ella Wayne, Florence, Colo.

First Alternate—Mattie J. McDonald, Cripple Creek, Colo.

Second Alternate—Martha Evans, Denver, Colo.

The following appointments are hereby announced:

Secretary—Hester W. Hartzell, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver, Colo.

Inspector—Sarah Williams, Gunnison, Colo.

Counselor—Fannie D. Hardin, 1515 Welton street, Denver, Colo.

Instituting and Installing Officer—Delia M. Buell, Salida, Colo.

These officers in the discharge of their duties will be respected and obeyed accordingly.

Ella Wayne, of Florence, Colo., having been appointed Patriotic Instructor, all communications on patriotic teaching should be addressed to her.

Anna B. Holliday, of Laramie, Wyo., has been appointed Department Press correspondent. Will each Corps send items of interest regarding the work of our Order to Mrs. Holliday, who will consolidate the report and forward the same to the *National Tribune*.

Department Relief Committee

Ella Byers, chairman, 2930 Arapahoe street, Denver, Colo.

Anna Benton, 237 South Eleventh street, Denver, Colo.

Bessie French, Pueblo, Colo.

Further appointments will be announced in future orders.

DECISIONS

Of the Fourteenth Annual Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps.

1st. That we petition the next General Assembly to so amend the law relating to appointments of the Soldiers' Home Board, that

at least one member shall be a woman, the wife, widow, or daughter of a soldier.

2d. That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department, the weekly paper known as "*The National Standard*," published in Denver by a comrade.

3d. That the incoming president use her own discretion in the appointment of an emergency committee in every Corps in the Department, said committee to work in conjunction with citizens' committee for the relief of soldiers who may pass through their town to the war.

4th. That all Corps send money to Department treasurer by postoffice or express orders, as the banks charge exchange on checks.

5th. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals, and give to the lowest reliable bidder.

6th. That a committee of nine be appointed by the incoming president to work with the committee of the Grand Army to endeavor to have the Soldiers' Home removed from Monte Vista to Golden, Colorado.

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED, That the sincere thanks of this convention be tendered to James W. Anderson Corps No. 23, of Cripple Creek, for the beautiful exemplification of the new ritual work, as adopted by the National convention.

RESOLVED, That the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming unanimously endorse the new ritual work that was adopted by the last National convention.

The Roll of Honor will be continued as established by my predecessor.

All Corps sending correct reports on or before the fifth day of the month following the close of the quarter will be placed on the Roll of Honor. If not sent in by the 10th they will be delinquent.

Sedgwick Corps No. 3, of Durango, sent \$10 for the Nurses' Home at Madison, Ohio.

A new Department pass-word accompanies this order.

Again the "Silent Messenger" has entered our midst and taken one of our devoted workers, Mrs. Christiana Thornton, Past Department Chaplain.

Corps will drape their charters for thirty days from the receipt of this notice.

The sympathy of the Department is hereby extended to her family, and the Pike's Peak Corps, of which she was a charter member.

By command of
Official:

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department President.

HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
3151 BERT STREET, DENVER, August 5th, 1898. }

GENERAL ORDERS, {
No. 3. }

I. National General Orders No. 9 accompanies this order.

II. The Sixteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in Cincinnati, on September 5th to 10th, 1898, and all representatives and others desiring accommodations with delegation will notify Department headquarters as soon as possible.

III. A cordial invitation is extended by Department Commander W. T. S. May to the officers, delegates and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, to join them on their official train at Denver, and go on the march to their Annual Re-union. A rate of \$31.60 has been secured for the round trip. Headquarters will be established at the Gerdes Hotel, south side of Fifth street, between Elm and Plum streets.

IV. Elected delegates and alternates unable to attend the National convention will notify the Department secretary by August 20th, so that the vacancy can be filled. All delegates will procure the National pass-word from their Corps presidents.

V. Department headquarters will be closed after August 30th until September 15th, but the Department secretary will be in her office, 213 South Twelfth street, to answer any communications.

ROLL OF HONOR.

VI. For the quarter ending June 30th, 1898:

Farragut, No. 1, Denver.	Reno, No. 21, Denver.
Upton, No. 2, Pueblo.	Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield.
Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango.	Jas. W. Andersen, No. 23, Cripple Creek.
Colo. Springs, No. 4, Colo. Springs.	W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden.	Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa.
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.	Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins.
E. V. Sumner, No. 7, Silver Cliff.	Nathanicl Lyon, No. 27, Boulder.
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville.	Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne.	McPherson, No. 32, Longmont.
General Shields, No. 10, New Castle.	Richardson, No. 33, Las Animas.
North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss.	Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada.
Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison.	Akron, No. 36, Akron.
C. W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.	E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida.
Veteran, No. 14, Denver.	Pike's Peak, No. 39, Manitou.
U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley.	M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver.
Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford.	George Washington, No. 42, Denver.
Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction.	Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan.	J. C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton.
Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.	

VII. The following are appointed Aides on the staff of the Department president:

Chief of Staff, Emma C. Scrivner, 251 South Water street, Corps No. 40, Denver.

Mrs. Pannie Cowell, Corps No. 1.

Mrs. Amelia George, Corps No. 8.

" Mary Rice, Corps No. 2.

" Carrie Price, Corps No. 16.

Mrs. Eliza La Count, Corps No. 3.	Mrs. Ida M. Fallis, Corps No. 17.
" Harriet Robbins, Corps No. 4.	" Sadie Simons, Corps No. 25.
" Rose Barron, Corps No. 5.	" Elizabeth Young, Corps No. 28.
" C. L. McNeeley, Corps No. 7.	" Jennie Osgood, Corps No. 30.

Whose duties it shall be to assist their Corps presidents in every way possible, by looking after delinquent members, and promoting the welfare of the Order. Department aides will report conditions of their respective Corps to the Chief aide, Emma C. Scrivner, 251 South Water street, Denver, Colo.

All aides not having badges, can procure same through Department treasurer.

VIII. In accordance with decision "6" of the last Annual convention, the Department president announces the Legislative committee: Mrs. Debra Moser, chairman; Mrs. Helen McAdams, Mrs. Emma B. Hobart, Mrs. Mary U. Calvert, Mrs. Clara Green, Mrs. Charlotte Coe, Mrs. Amanda Weil, Mrs. Lucy J. Dresser, Mrs. Jennie Chapman.

IX. Each Corps president will see that their Press correspondent is a live, wide-awake worker. Urge upon them to send all items of interest to their local papers, also to the Department Press correspondent, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, 411 Fourth street, Laramie, Wyo., that we may be known as earnest workers in the organization we represent.

The quarterly reports of the Department secretary and treasurer give the following statistics:

Number of Corps in good standing.....	43
Number of membership.....	1,486
Cash expended for relief.....	\$293.40
Relief other than money.....	598.45

Additional decision of the Fourteenth Annual Convention, No. 7:

"That unless transportation can be secured the inspection will be done by blank, provided that method remains a National law, in order that the treasury may be replenished."

XI. A new pass-word was sent out July 2d. Corps presidents not having received the same will notify Department secretary at once.

XII. Corps chaplains will promptly forward to Department chaplain, Mrs. Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo., the names of deceased members, that the record of the same may be properly kept.

XIII. In compliance with Rules and Regulations, the inspection of Corps occurs during the months of September, October and November. Department inspector is preparing the work and assignments will be made in next general order.

XIV. Many letters of congratulation from members of this department, and also from other departments, have been received and are hereby acknowledged, and many thanks for the same are extended.

XV. Much credit is due to the Corps who so nobly responded to the call for the "Emergency Fund," and while we fully appreciate this effort for the comfort and support of our YOUNG soldier boys at the front, our aims and objects are first, last and always, with the old soldier boys who struggled through the dark days of '61 to '65, and through them to the families who are so largely dependent on the personal efforts of the W. R. C. I wish to call especial attention to the Circular Letter No. 2, issued by the National president, July 4th, regarding the "Emergency Fund."

By command of LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Official: Department President.
HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
DENVER, COLO., August 28, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 4. }

I. The official train bearing the representatives to the National Convention, to be held at Cincinnati, September 5th to 10th, will leave Denver, Saturday evening, September 3d at 9:40.

II. The railroad fare from Denver to Cincinnati and return will be \$31.60.

The sleeping car rates will be as follows: Standard sleepers, one double berth, \$7.00; tourists' sleeper, one double berth, \$3.00, provided a sufficient number of berths are sold to warrant the car going through.

It is expressly desired that nothing but hand baggage be taken.

Where trunks have to be taken, provision has been made for checking them and prompt delivery at destination.

Department Commander W. T. S. May extends his former invitation to the Woman's Relief Corps to accompany them, and adds with emphasis, that special effort will be put forth for the comfort and care of all ladies on this train.

III. Ella Wayne, Department patriotic instructor, has appointed the following assistants: Mrs. Kate Duck, Upton Corps. No. 2; Mamie E. Price, of Casper W. Collins, No. 13; Hattie E. Rundel, Grand Junction, No. 17.

IV. The following Corps have contributed to the "Emergency Fund" through the Department treasurer: Grand Junction, No. 17, \$25.75 cash; Jim Bowie, No. 30, sixty protectors.

The following Corps have reported an "Emergency Fund": Casper W. Collins, No. 13, \$38.35; J. W. Anderson, No. 23, \$15.25; Mulligan, No. 22, \$11.00.

V. Emma C. Scrivner, chief aide, requests that as soon as the appointments are made, aides will communicate with her.

VI. I again URGE Corps Press correspondents to write to Mrs. Holliday, at Laramie, that the Department may be represented in our *National Standard* and the *National Tribune*.

VII. The Department inspector's general order accompanies this Order. The expenses of inspection are met by the Department, and Corps are expected to entertain the inspectors.

VIII. The following kind and sympathetic message from Ada G. Mohr, Department president of New York, will be appreciated in this Department :

"Inasmuch as the government has ordered a great number of wounded and sick soldiers to the Brooklyn and New York hospitals, there may be many in your Department who have sons or relatives among those sufferers, and I would like to state to them, that knowing the hours of anxiety of these mothers, and that a word from some one who can visit them is cheering, that if they will send me their name, company and regiment, I will gladly look them up while visiting the various hospitals and try to cheer them while they are thus confined in a strange place."

All those who have sons or relatives in these hospitals will, I am sure, avail themselves of this kindly offer, and send their address to Ada G. Mohr, No. 200 Decatur street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Since issuing General Order No. 3, the Department has been called upon to mourn the loss by death of Mrs. Frances M. Boucher, Past president of Jim Bowie W. R. C., No. 30.

The sympathy of this Department is extended to the family and the Corps of which she was a member.

By Command of LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Official : Department President.
HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING,)
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,)
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,)
DENVER, COLO., October 18, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS, (

No. 5.)

I. The annual election of officers will be held at the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting if necessary to complete the work as provided in Rules and Regulations. Each Corps member must be notified, and it is imperative that only those should be selected for office who are especially fitted to fill the various positions, that our work may be successfully carried on.

II. The election of delegates and alternates to the Fifteenth Department Convention, to be held in Denver, will take place at the same time. The ratio of representation is, one delegate and one alternate for every twenty members in good standing, as represented to the Department secretary September 30th, 1898, and one delegate and alternate for the major fraction. Each Corps is entitled to one delegate and one alternate, whatever its membership may be. Corps presidents will cause to be read Article VII, Chapter 2, of Rules and Regulations, previous to election. The officers elected must be installed at the first regular meeting in January, and whenever convenient joint installation with Posts is recommended.

The newly elected officers shall select the installing officer, the Corps secretary reporting their choice and date of installation to Department secretary. If a member of the Corps be selected, no dispensation is required; if from another Corps, the Department president will make the appointment and all expenses incurred will be paid by the Corps.

Two election blanks will be forwarded to each Corps president, who will deliver them to the installing officer. These blanks are to be filled out according to Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Article 11, Section 1, one copy to be forwarded at once to Department secretary, Hester W. Hartzell, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver, Colo., and the other to Delia F. Buell, Department I. and I. officer, Salida, Colo. With this, Corps will furnish all items of interest in connection with the installation ceremony.

III. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the quarter ending September 30th, 1898:

Parragut, No. 1, Denver.	Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.
Upton, No. 2, Pueblo.	Reno, No. 21, Denver.
Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango.	Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield.
Colo. Springs, No. 4, Colo. Springs.	Jas. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden.	W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans.
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.	Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa.
E. V. Sumner, No. 7, Silver Cliff.	Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins.
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville.	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne.	Elbert County, No. 29, Elbert County.
General Shields, No. 10, New Castle.	A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence.
North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss.	McPherson, No. 32, Longmont.
Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison.	Richardson, No. 33, Las Animas.
C. W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.	Akron, No. 36, Akron.
Veteran, No. 14, Denver.	E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida.
U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley.	M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver.
Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford.	George Washington, No. 42, Denver.
Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction.	Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan.	J. C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton.

IV. The following additional aides have been appointed on the staff of the Department president:

Mrs. Laura Wilson, No. 6.	Mrs. Hattie Buss, No. 26.
" Ellen Hahn, No. 10.	" Lucy Norton, No. 27.
" O. L. Donnell, No. 13.	" Adeline Eiken, No. 31.
" Emma Reid, No. 14.	" Sadie Richart, No. 32.

Mrs. Emily Jones, No. 15.
 " Helen Baker, No. 18.
 " Lizzie McDonald, No. 19.
 " Olivia Peale, No. 20.
 " Annie Hunt, No. 21.
 " Belle Opp, No. 23.

Mrs. Amanda Graham, No. 35.
 " Annie Tenbroeck, No. 37.
 " Luella Wilson, No. 38.
 " Carrie Cogshall, No. 42.
 " Hester Cobb, No. 45.

These aides are urged to use their utmost efforts to promote the welfare of the Order, and report to Chief Aide Mrs. Emma C. Scrivner, 251 South Water street, Denver, Colo.

V. Commander French, of the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, in reply to a letter written to him, says: "All I have to ask of the Relief Corps is, to renew their subscriptions to the various magazines that were sent us last year."

I would advise that all Corps continue their subscriptions, as in former years. Mrs. Rapp, the Department treasurer, who did such capable, efficient work last year, has gladly consented to assume the same duties for the coming year. Through her knowledge of the wants of the Soldiers' Home many combinations can be made to materially increase the number of magazines. Corps will send all contributions for this cause to the Department treasurer, that this advantage may be obtained, also that credit may be given through the proper channel.

VI. The following Corps have reported an Emergency Fund: Nathaniel Lyon, Boulder, No. 27, \$63.50; Pfeiffer, Alamosa, No. 25, \$6.10; W. T. Sherman, Evans, No. 24, \$10.00

The president of Ellsworth, No. 28, reports sending eighteen boxes to Manila.

The Sixteenth National Convention, held at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 8th and 9th, will be remembered with pleasure by those who attended. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming was represented by the Department president, Past Department presidents Katherine Kennedy and Mary L. Carr, Department Treasurer Mrs. Rapp, and the following delegates: Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek; Libbie K. Daniels, Denver; Ellen Wheatley, Longmont, and Frances Cox, alternate.

The thanks of the Department president and delegates are due to Department Commander W. T. S. May and Assistant Adjutant-General Nathan T. Cox, for the many courtesies extended.

VII. The attention of Corps is called to "Suggestive Good of the Order," presented by Mrs. Telford at the convention held at Cripple Creek, which was adopted by the same, found on page 58 of the last Department Journal.

VIII. The new National Password accompanies this order.

By command of

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,

Department President.

Official:

HESTER W. HARTZELL,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

DENVER, COLO., Dec. 15, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 6. }

I. Officers-elect must be installed at the first regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, during the month. Joint installations with Posts and Sons of Veterans is earnestly recommended.

II. Election return blank form "L" and installation blank form "U" have been sent to each Corps. Election blanks will be properly filled out and certified to as correct by the retiring president, and immediately after installation, forwarded to the Department secretary, Hester W. Hartzell, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver, Colo.

III. Installation blanks will be filled out by the installing officer, and immediately after her work is completed, forwarded to the Department instituting and installing officer, Delia F. Buell, Salida, Colo.

IV. As the roll of convention for 1899 is compiled from these reports, the names and addresses should be written very plainly so that none entitled to a seat in the convention will be omitted from the list. Form "N" accompanies this order, also Form "V" assistant patriotic instructor's blank, which will be properly filled out by some one in each Corps who has been appointed for this work, and forwarded to Mrs. Ella Wayne, Department patriotic instructor, Florence, Colo.

V. Attention is called to decision "32," National General Order No. 2: "That where no Grand Army Post exists, and soldiers' wives and loyal women desire to organize a Woman's Relief Corps, they may do so, by having the National or Department commander sign the application for a charter, the name of the Corps to be approved by the National or Department president." Also decision "41": "That Corps presidents destroy all rituals in possession of the Corps, prior to the January edition of 1897."

VI. Corps presidents are urged to see that all quarterly reports are sent to the Department secretary at the last meeting of the quarter, or before the fifth of January, so that none will be delinquent. This is important, for the Department must not be delinquent to National headquarters.

VII. The following donations have been received for the Colorado Soldiers' Home: Veteran Corps, No. 14, cash, \$10; T. H. Dodd Corps, No. 5, \$3; J. W. Anderson, No. 23, \$4; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$4; Farragut, No. 1, \$2; George H. Thomas, No. 26, \$1; W. T. Sherman, No. 24, \$2; R. A. Cameron, No. 18, bedding valued at \$5; S. M. French, \$1.

For the Wyoming Home: M. M. Crocker, No. 40, cash, \$10; W.

T. Sherman, No. 24, \$2; Custer, No. 20, \$10; George H. Thomas, No. 26, \$1; Farragut, No. 1, \$2.

General Stitzer, commandant of the Wyoming Home, says: "The one thing most needed at the present time is overcoats. Any donations sent to our Soldiers' Home is Relief work."

VIII. Mrs. Olivè A. Killin has been appointed aide in Corps No. 29. Aides will report to Chief Aide Emma C. Scrivner, whose Circular letter accompanies this order.

National aides will signify their acceptance of the office by reporting to National headquarters, and procure their official badge through the Department treasurer, Mrs. Clara Rapp, when their commission will be forwarded.

IX. Corps Press correspondents will forward all matters of interest to Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Wyoming. Let the whole Department know what you are doing for our Order. "In unity there is strength." Let us go to the next Department convention with the record of having accomplished much good for the grand Order of the Woman's Relief Corps, and more for the comfort and happiness of the "Defenders of our Union."

X. The quarterly report of the Department secretary and treasurer give the following statistics:

Number of members in good standing.....	1,501
Number of soldiers' families assisted.....	202
Total number of persons.....	231
Cash expended for Relief during quarter.....	\$206.70
Other than money.....	374.85

George G. Meade Corps reports an Emergency fund of \$3.00 and C. W. Collins \$3.25.

XI. Another year is rapidly drawing to a close. The Department president desires to extend to every member of the Woman's Relief Corps a "Holiday" greeting, thanking them for the support given and asks for their continued support during the month to come before our annual meeting. With the New Year comes to almost every Corps new officers; having elected them, give them your loyal support, remembering that "To err is human."

Since issuing last General Order, the Department chaplain has reported the following deaths:

Mrs. Matilda Reno, Veteran, No. 14. Died June 18th, 1898.

Mrs. Catharine Georgia, Elbert Co. No. 29. Died July 9th, 1898.

Mrs. Elizabeth Boner, C. W. Collins, No. 13. Died August 1st, 1898.

Mrs. Ellen Jane Drury, Veteran, No. 14. Died November 6th, 1898.

Mrs. Mary F. Bader, Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27. Died November 18th, 1898.

Mrs. Margaret Monroe, Joe Hooker, No. 43. Died November 25th, 1898.

Truly God is calling home our workers. While we bow in humble submission let us renew our efforts for the cause these sisters loved so well.

By command of
Official: LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department President.
HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
DENVER, COLO., Feb. 14, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 7. }

I. To the newly elected officers, who have entered upon the duties of the year, a cordial greeting is extended from these headquarters; may all your efforts be crowned with success. The reports up to this time have been very encouraging, and we earnestly desire that this, the last quarter of the department administration, may exceed those previously received.

II. The last quarterly reports show quite a number of delinquent members. We do sincerely desire that the reports for the last quarter of our administration may be in on time. Quarterly reports from this department are due at the National headquarters by the 20th of the month. The reports for the quarter ending March 31st must be received at this office by the 5th of April, and must be made out at the last Corps meeting of the quarter.

III. The *National Tribune* earnestly desires that the Department of Colorado and Wyoming shall be represented in their columns. Will the Corps Press correspondents at once send items of interest to the Department Press correspondent, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Wyo., that she may forward them to Washington for publication.

Department headquarters during the Fifteenth Annual convention, which is to be held in Denver, will be at the Albany Hotel, corner Seventeenth and Stout streets. A future order will announce the date.

A resolution was introduced and accepted at the Twelfth Annual convention that a sum not to exceed \$50 be paid from the general fund for a testimonial for the retiring president. In consideration of my knowledge of the Department finances, I would recommend that this law be rescinded, and the amount be applied to the relief fund.

IV. Special attention is called to the Circular Letter enclosed from the secretary of the W. R. C. committee of the National Council.

cil of Women. As the Woman's Relief Corps of the Nation is affiliated with this body of women, I trust that each Corps will give their mite as explained in the circular.

V. Department officers are indebted to Captain Wallace Foster for a beautiful "oleograph" of the "History of the Stars and Stripes," a small copy of which accompanies these Orders, and it is hoped that each Corps may purchase one or more and place them in the schools, where the children may be taught the true history of our country's emblem.

VI. Corps wishing to contribute funds for the purpose of decorating the "Unknown Graves" in the South, will please forward the amount to the Department treasurer, Mrs. Clara Rapp, 4151 Gray street, by the first of May.

VII. Corps will bear in mind the gratuitous donations to the National W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio. Red Book, pages 182-186.

VIII. Voluntary subscriptions to the "Andersonville Prison Fund" will be sent to the Department treasurer, as heretofore.

IX. All resolutions to be presented for action at the convention must be filed at these headquarters by the 25th of April.

Delegates credential cards will be sent out with the quarterly reports. Corps failing to receive report blanks will notify the Department secretary, Hester W. Hartzell, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver, Colo., at once.

The National Journal has been sent to each Corps president direct from the publisher and is the property of the Corps.

X. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the fourth quarter, 1898:

Farragut, No. 1, Denver.	Jas. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek.
Upton, No. 2, Pueblo.	W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans.
Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango.	Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa.
Colo. Springs, No. 4, Colo. Springs.	Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden.	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder.
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.	Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City.
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville.	Elbert County, No. 29, Elbert County.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne.	Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amethyst.
North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss.	A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence.
Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison.	McPherson, No. 32, Longmont.
C. W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.	Richardson, No. 33, Las Animas.
Veteran, No. 14, Denver.	Kilpatrick, No. 34, La Junta.
U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley.	Akron, No. 36, Akron.
Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford.	E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida.
Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction.	Pike's Peak, No. 39, Manitou.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan.	M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver.
Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.	George Washington, No. 42, Denver.
Reno, No. 21, Denver.	Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista.
Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield.	J. C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton.

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa, has contributed \$1.25 for the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista.

Victor W. R. C., No. 41, was instituted on January 5th, 1899, with twenty-two charter members, by Alice M. Seeds, of Cripple Creek.

XI. National General Orders No. 5 accompanies these orders.

The members of the W. R. C. of Colorado and Wyoming extend their sincere sympathy to the comrades of this Department in the loss of Past Department Commander Myron W. Reed, who was also Past National Chaplain.

By Command of LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Official : Department President.
HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

DENVER, COLO., April 6, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 8. }

I. The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in Denver, May 3d, 4th and 5th, 1899.

Department headquarters will be established at the Albany Hotel, Seventeenth and Stout streets. A meeting of the Department Council will be held at headquarters Tuesday, May 2d, at 7:30, P. M.

11. The convention will convene in Odd Fellows' Hall, 1513 Champa street, Wednesday, May 3d, at 9 o'clock, A. M. All delegates and representatives are requested to be present at the hour named.

III. The membership will consist of the Department officers, Past Department presidents, secretaries and treasurers, Corps presidents, Past Corps presidents and the regularly elected delegates from each Corps.

IV. The credential committee, consisting of Hester W. Hartzell, Emma C. Scrivner and Edna Hamilton, will be at headquarters Tuesday at 3 o'clock, p. m., and at Convention hall, 1513 Champa street, from 8 to 9 A. M. Wednesday. Delegates to convention must present their credentials during this time.

V. Railroad rates will be one fare for the round trip over all roads in the Department; ticket on sale May 2d and 3d, and good to

return until May 8th. Reception committees from the W. R. C. will meet all incoming trains.

VI. Hotel rates are announced as follows: Albany Hotel, \$2.00 to \$2.50 per day; Brown Palace, \$1.50 to \$3.00; St. James, \$2.00 to \$3.00; Windsor, \$2.00; American, \$1.75 to \$2.00; Narragansett, \$1.00.

Members can be accommodated with furnished rooms at moderate prices near the center of the city. Meals at restaurants can be had at fifteen cents and upwards.

The evening of Wednesday, May 3d, will be taken up by a general Camp Fire and entertainment at Coliseum hall.

On Thursday evening, May 4th, a reception will be tendered to all visiting delegates and their friends at Department headquarters, Albany Hotel.

VII. Department treasurer's books will close April 20th. Corps will order all necessary supplies before that date. All bills against the Department must be sent to the Department secretary by April 20th.

VIII. Resolutions and recommendations, to be presented to the convention, must be filed with the Department secretary by April 25th.

IX. Corps chaplains are requested to send the names of all deceased members during the year to Department chaplain, Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo., so that her report may be complete for convention.

X. Department aides and patriotic committees in each Corps will send report to Chief Aide Emma C. Scrivner, 251 South Water street, Denver, Colo., and to Ella Wayne, Patriotic instructor, Florence, Colo., by April 15th.

XI. The following special aides have been appointed for the convention: Mary E. Neeley, member Department executive board; Alice E. Ditson, Farragut, No. 1; Esther Abbott, Meade, No. 6; Susie Rinn, Veteran, No. 14; Myra Woods, Reno, No. 21; Emma Bailey, Crocker, No. 40; Alice Markann, Washington, No. 42. These aides will report to Mary E. Neeley.

XII. Department officers are requested to send their reports to Department headquarters as early as possible.

XIII. The following contributions for literature have been reported to this office since last General Order;

Colorado Soldiers' Home, Monte Vista: Reno, No. 21, \$3; Grand Junction, No. 17, \$2; George Washington, No. 42, \$3; James A. Garfield, No. 8, \$10; Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, \$5; Sedgwick, No. 3, \$1.50; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$1; U. S. Grant, No. 15, \$5; Richardson, No. 33, \$1.50; J. C. Fremont, No. 45, \$2; R. A. Cameron, No. 18, \$2.50.

Wyoming Soldiers' Home: James W. Anderson, No. 23, cash for overcoats, \$5.

Emergency War Fund: R. A. Cameron, No. 18, \$11.75.

Andersonville Prison Fund: Farragut, No. 1, \$2.40; Reno, No.

21, \$2.50; George G. Meade, No. 6, \$1; George Washington, No. 42, \$1; John C. Fremont, No. 45, \$1.25; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$1.

National W. R. C. Home: M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$2; J. C. Fremont, No. 45, \$2; Farragut, No. 1, 96c.

Memorial Day in the South: George G. Meade, No. 6, \$1; Custer, No. 20, \$5; U. S. Grant, No. 15, \$1; J. C. Fremont, No. 45, \$1; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$1.

National Council of Women: Custer, No. 20, \$2.25; J. W. Anderson, No. 23, \$1; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, 58c; Veteran, No. 14, 60c; Colorado Springs, No. 4, 50c; J. C. Fremont, No. 45, 60c; George G. Meade, No. 6, 77c; E. M. Stanton, No. 37, \$1; North Fork, No. 11, 45c; Pfeiffer, No. 25, \$1.

Roll of Honor for quarter ending March 31, 1899:

Farragut, No. 1, Denver.	Jas. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek.
Upton, No. 2, Pueblo	W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans.
Schlgwick, No. 3, Durango.	Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden.	Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins.
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder.
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville.	Elbert County, No. 29, Elbert County.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne.	A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence.
North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss	McPherson, No. 32, Longmont.
Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison.	Richardson, No. 33, Las Animas.
C. W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.	Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada.
Veteran, No. 14, Denver.	Akron, No. 36, Akron.
U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley.	E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida.
Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford.	Pike's Peak, No. 39, Manitou.
Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction.	M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan.	Victor, No. 41, Victor.
Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen.	George Washington, No. 42, Denver.
Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.	Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista.
Reno, No. 21, Denver.	J. C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton.
Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield	

XIV. The faithful few who have tried so hard to hold the charter of E. V. Sumner W. R. C., No. 7, at Silver Cliff, decided to disband, and all supplies have been sent to these headquarters.

XV. The chairmen of the several kindred organizations are requested to have the addresses of their visiting committees prepared to hand to the Department secretary of the W. R. C. to be entered in the minutes of the convention journal.

XVI. M. M. Crocker Corps, No. 40, of Denver, will exemplify the ritual the afternoon of the second day of the convention.

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XVII. The Department chaplain has reported the following deaths since last general order:

Mrs. Mary E. Austin, Upton, No. 2. Died January 19th, 1899.

Mrs. Hattie M. French, Joe Hooker, No. 43. Died February 23d, 1899.

Mrs. Elizabeth Sullivan, C. W. Collins, No. 13. Died February 23d, 1899.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith, McPherson, No. 32. Died March 3d, 1899.

" Rest from all sorrows, and watchings and fears,
Rest from all possible sighing and tears,
Rest through God's endless, wonderful years.

Peace on the brow and the eyelids so calm,
Peace on the heart 'neath the white folded palm,
Peace drooping down like a wondrous balm.

' We know He watches the sparrows that fall,
Hears the sad cry of the grieved hearts that call,
Friends, husband, children, He loveth them all
We can trust for the rest "

In closing my year's work, I desire to express my gratitude for the universal support that has been given to me and my associate officers. The success which has attended this administration is due to the united efforts of the loyal women of this Department.

By command of LUCY M. CAMPBELL,

Official : Department President.

HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
DENVER, COLO., April 14, 1899.

SPECIAL ORDER, {
No. 1. }

We are again called upon to record the death of one of our Past Department Chaplains, MRS. AMERICA WHIST, who died suddenly, in Denver, April 8th, 1899, and was followed by her husband, William Whist, in just twenty-four hours, his death occurring April 9th, 1899. Both were buried in one grave. The sympathy of this Department is extended to the mourning friends, also to Veteran Corps of which she was a member. Corps will drape their Charter for thirty days from the receipt of this notice.

" Weep not that their toils are over,
Weep not that their race is run,
God grant we may rest as calmly,
When our work, like their's is done.
'Till then we would yield with gladness
Our treasures to Him to keep,
And rejoice in the sweet assurance
He giveth His loved one's sleep."

By command of

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,

Department President.

Official :

HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

OFFICE OF DEPT. INSPECTOR, Gunnison, Colo.

CIRCULAR LETTER, /
NO. 1. }

I. In accordance with Rules and Regulations, there will be a thorough inspection of each Corps in this Department during the months of September, October and November. That the best results may be obtained Corps officers are requested to give this work their careful attention.

II. The Department is divided into five districts which will be inspected as follows:

Department Inspector - Corps Nos. 2, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 17, 19, 37, 39.

Department President - Corps Nos. 5, 12, 13, 16, 18, 20, 28, 29, 33,

34, 35, 42.

Department Senior-Vice President - Corps Nos. 1, 9, 14, 15, 23, 24, 26, 27, 31, 32, 38, 45.

Department Junior-Vice President - Corps Nos. 6, 21, 36, 40.

Mrs. Emma Martin, member of Executive Board - Corps Nos. 3, 22, 25, 30, 43. Subject to any necessary changes.

III. Corps presidents shall arrange dates with the Inspector or Assistant Inspectors, and comply cheerfully with requests for special meetings, when necessary. They should also see that notice is sent to each member of the date of Inspector's visit, that a full attendance may be secured. It is expected that all officers will be present and fill their respective places.

IV. Corps presidents upon receipt of Inspector's blanks will at once confer with their secretary and treasurer, ascertain the number of meetings during the year, make out all averages, determine the amount and value of all relief extended from September 1st, 1897, to September 1st, 1898, and be prepared to answer all the questions on the Inspector's blank.

V. Corps will be required to exemplify the entire work according to the Ritual. Let ample time be taken for thorough inspection; if possible arrange that the secretary's and treasurer's books may be examined before the meeting, as this work requires time and attention.

BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE SECRETARY.

I. See that the records are properly kept and all reports and communications are neatly filed.

II. That the attendance of officers and members be kept separately and noted on the margin of the journal.

III. That General Orders are read to the Corps and placed on file.

IV. That the stubs of order books are properly filled out and numbered.

BOOKS OF THE TREASURER.

I. See that a proper account of receipts and expenditures are kept and that the Relief fund is separate from the General fund.

II. That the stubs of the receipt book are filled out, numbered, and that they compare with the entries of the cash book.

III. That a ledger page is assigned each member and a correct account kept with them.

IV. That all bills are numbered and filed with the orders with which they should compare.

V. That a report of the treasurer is read at each regular meeting and filed with the secretary.

By order of

SARAH E. WILLIAMS,

Department Inspector.

Approved: LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Department President.

Official: HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }
OFFICE OF SENIOR AID AND CHIEF OF STAFF,
DENVER, COLO., December 15th, 1898.

CIRCULAR LETTER, {
No. 2. }

Having been appointed senior aide and chief of staff by Department President, Lucy M. Campbell, I deem it a duty as well as a pleasure to become acquainted, through correspondence, with my co-workers. The president has explained our duties in general orders, yet there may be some who do not yet fully understand. We are earnestly requested to add new members to our Order, encourage delinquents, and visit other Corps when convenient.

Organize new Corps, if you know of a Post which has no auxiliary, when it is in your power to do so. Assist the G. A. R. in the sacred observance of Memorial day. Keep a record of all visits made and let us, by our united efforts, prove that we fully appreciate the confidence reposed in us by our president, and that we are ever ready and willing to work for the interest of the W. R. C. Trusting that we may all meet at the coming convention, and also bring a good record of our year's work. Please be prompt in sending in reports, so I will have time to prepare mine before convention calls. Let us all work for the good of the Order, is the wish of yours, in F. C. and L.

By order of

EMMA C. SCRIVNER,

Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

Approved: LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Department President.

Official: HESTER W. HARTZELL, Department Secretary.

Report of Committee on Decisions.

The committee appointed to collect the decisions of the Department Conventions submit its report as follows :

As no Journal of the Department is to be had prior to 1880, we could go no farther back than 1888 in our research. After carefully looking over the decisions of each convention, we find the following to still be in force in this Department :

I. A Roll of Honor is hereby established for all Corps sending correct reports of both secretary and treasurer, with per capita tax inclosed, on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.

II. That rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter) belonging to Corps disbanded, be sold at regular prices.

III. That the president-elect be furnished with a copy of Decisions of convention within fifteen days after its adjournment.

IV. That the rate of representation to Department convention remain the same : one for every twenty members, and one additional for the fraction of more than one-half that number.

V. That the per capita tax remain fifteen cents per quarter.

VI. That all orders for supplies be sent direct to the Department treasurer.

VII. That at least two members of the executive board be elected from Corps nearest the Department president, in order to facilitate the auditing of the books and accounts.

VIII. That the Corps' quarterly reports be filled out on day of last meeting in the quarter, the same to be inclosed in one envelope and forwarded without delay to the Department secretary.

IX. That the Corps secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year. That each Corps purchase a letter file for the above purpose.

X. That Department secretary, in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps secretaries, shall indicate in red ink on line 15, Form A, "Number remaining suspended, last report," which shall not be changed, the same to be a copy of column 16, on Consolidated Report of previous quarter.

XI. That a Red Book be purchased by every Corps in this Department for the use of officers especially ; by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.

XII. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at Headquarters for one year.

XIII. That a record be kept at headquarters giving the date of organizations of Corps and names of charter members ; also a record of all disbanded Corps, and cause of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.

XIV. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.

XV. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in the Roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that the date of organization be added to the Roster.

XVI. That on election returns sent to the Department secretary be written the address of the Corps president, secretary, treasurer and chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

XVII. That a General Order containing the address of the Department chaplain be sent to all Corps chaplains.

XVIII. That Corps treasurers' bonds be furnished free to all Corps; Department secretary to send the same with Corps secretaries' and treasurers' blanks, the last quarter of the year.

XIX. That no supplies be sent Corps unless ordered on regular requisition blanks, the amount due to accompany the order, as per Rules and Regulations.

XX. That the delegate badges ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention remain the property of the Department, and in the custody of the Department treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge, and return the same to the Department treasurer after the convention; that the Department president can change the ribbon of the badges at her discretion.

XXI. That hereafter in working out election returns, Past Corps presidents transferred, be reported by the Corps in which they hold their membership as transferred from the Corps to which they formerly belonged, and their names be dropped from the roll of the Corps from which they were transferred.

XXII. That Corps, sending for supplies, shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies, can not be entered on the books of the Department treasurer.

XXIII. That Resolution No. 3 as adopted by the Tenth Annual Convention be amended to read: "That it is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial Day for money-making purposes, which will desecrate the sacredness of the day."

XXIV. That the Corps of this Department bend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with Corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30th, or upon some other day.

XXV. That Installing officers be furnished by the out-going secretary with a list of the Corps officers, type-written if possible the names given in full and properly spelled.

XXVI. That ten per cent. of per capita tax received each quarter be transferred to the Department Relief Fund.

XXVII. That Corps treasurers in cities give their addresses on quarterly reports, giving street and number.

XXVIII. That a copy of General Orders be sent each Corps president and secretary.

XXIX. That the National Journals be distributed to those entitled to them as soon as received at Department headquarters.

XXX. That the Department banner be taken to the Convention Hall at annual meetings.

XXXI. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee: As the Corps treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

We would recommend that these decisions, with such as may be added at each annual Convention, be printed on the last pages of the Journal. Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

MARY L. CARR,
AMERICA ANDERSON,
LAURA S. DODGE.

Discisions of the Fourteenth Annual Convention.

I. That we petition the next General Assembly to so amend the law relating to the appointment of the Soldiers' Home Board that at least one member shall be a woman: the wife, widow or daughter of a soldier and a member of the W. R. C.

II. That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department the weekly paper known as "The National Standard," published in Denver by a Grand Army man.

III. That the incoming president use her own discretion in the appointment of an Emergency Committee in every Corps in the Department, said committee to work in conjunction with Citizens' Committee for the relief of soldiers who may pass through their town to the war.

IV. That all Corps send money to the Department treasurer by postoffice or express orders, as the banks charge exchange on checks.

V. That the incoming president appoint a committee of nine to work with a like committee from the Grand Army to use their influence in removing the Soldiers' Home from Monte Vista to Golden, Colo.

VI. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals and give to the lowest reliable bidder.

VII. That unless transportation can be secured, the inspection be done by blank, provided that method remain a National law, to give our treasury a chance to replenish.

VIII. That it is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial day for money-making purposes, which will desecrate the sacredness of the day.



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Yours in F., C. and L.

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ROSTER OF CORPS.

FARRAGUT CORPS, No. 1, Denver.

Corps President--*Mildred McKinsey.

Past Corps Presidents --*Catherine C. Kennedy, *Jennie McGill, *Mary A. Condit, Martissa Hinsdale, *Minnie L. Benson, *Fannie Lang, *Hester W. Hartzell, Franc Rice, *Adelia McCauley, *Annie Benton.

Delegates--*Mary E. Neeley, *Maggie Hayes, *Alice Ditson.

Alternates--Fannie Cowell, Crete Atkinson, Samantha St. Clair.

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Corps President--Julia R. Upson.

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Past Corps Presidents--Mina Sanford, Alice Rickabaugh, Carrie Donaldson, Ella Weppeler, Millie Bump, Carrie Brisack, Bessie French, Lucinda Smith, Mary A. Reece.

Delegate --*Mary A. Moore.

SEDGWICK CORPS, No. 3, Durango.

Corps President--Anna M. Hammond.

Past Corps Presidents--E. Helen Tiffany, Anna M. Hammond, Minnie B. Lowe, Lizzie N. Hansen.

Delegate--Lillian Tiffany.

Alternate--Anna M. Hammond.

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Corps President--*Jennie Dunnington.

Past Corps Presidents --*Ella L. C. Dwinell, Louise Sherman, Lucy Wheeler, *Irene De Toliver, *Ellen Holbrook, *Loretta Mum-mah, Fredericka Langmeyer, *Lydia Ellison

Delegates--*Laura Farrar, *Mary Works, *Hattie Allen, *Anna Price, *Ursula Munson.

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Corps President--*Anna Luman.

Past Corps Presidents --Charlotte Coe, *Mary A. Eldridge, Sarah Russell, Margaret A. Williams, Eile Tripp, *Eliza Peters.

Delegates--*Ida Goetze, Addie Purington.

Alternates--Sarah Easley, *Jennie Reece.

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Corps President *Sara J. Kimmins.

Past Corps Presidents *America Anderson, Libbie K. Daniels,
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*Esther R. Abbott.

Alternates Eloise S. Lechow, Fannie Ames, Laura Wilson,
Lillian Paget.

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Corps President *Nettie Marker.

Delegate—Nettie Marker.

Alternate—Jane Allison.

JAMES A. GARFIELD CORPS, No. 8, Leadville.

Corps President *Hattie E. Bunn.

Past Corps Presidents *Susie J. Searl, Maria D. Wolcott, *Nettie
S. Harker, Hattie E. Bunn, *Jennie Paddock, Kate McCarthy, Henri-
etta Greenlaw.

Delegates *Amelia George, *Mollie Warde, *Lucy Smith.

Alternates—Mary Grabert, Sarah Dedrick, Anna Jones.

J. F. REYNOLDS CORPS, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Corps President—Louisa O. Artist.

Past Corps Presidents Hattie E. Cowhick, Theresa A. Jenkins,
*Mary Hader, *Sadie M. Fisher, Bertha Myers, Kate McCabe, Lena
Buechner.

Delegates—Jennie Knight, Margaret E. Proctor.

Alternates—Mary A. Crowley, Annie Ohnhaus.

BYRON L. CARR CORPS, No. 10, Fondis.

Corps President *Louisa J. Parkhurst.

NORTH FORK CORPS, No. 11, Hotchkiss.

Corps President—Alice Galliher.

Past Corps Presidents Mary A. Miller, Nellie E. Barrow.

Delegate *Mrs. T. B. Pilburn.

Alternate Nellie E. Barrow.

GUNNISON CORPS, No. 12, Gunnison.

Corps President—Alma Wagner.

Past Corps Presidents Jessie Sharp Purrier, Laura Miller, Nellie
Crumpp, Fannie B. Whipp, Jemima Marsh.

Delegate Amanda Unruh.

Alternate Sarah D. Marsh.

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CASPER W. COLLINS CORPS, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.

Corps President—Mary L. Jennings.

Past Corps Presidents *Minnie E. Kingsford, Hannah Stuver,

Mary L. Jennings.

Delegates—Marian E. Kelley, Louise Donnel.

Alternates—*Tillie Ryan, *Julia Ferris.

VETERAN CORPS, No. 14, Denver.

Corps President—*Susie Waters.

Past Corps Presidents *Janette L. Todd, Emily R. Cohen,

*Persis Arnold French, *Edith Newland, *Emma Johnson, *Mecca Chester, *Olive C. Butler, *Angie C. Grove, *Lucy Langdell, *Sallie Essington, *Dorcas Hassen, Edna Perry.

Delegates—*Olive Foster, *Arenia Fair, *Isabella Kerr.

Alternates—Clara Mahoney, Anna Huff, Emma Collins.

U. S. GRANT CORPS, No. 15, Greeley.

Corps President—*Clementine S. Hawes.

Past Corps Presidents *Emily H. Jones, Sarah A. Hogarty, Climena G. Howard, *Jennie G. Harper, Josephine A. Cheeseman, *Lucy J. Dresser, Annie B. Sanborn, Kate E. Hanna, Clementine S. Hawes, *Esther H. Randolph, *Elizabeth R. Clark, *Nettie M. Lucas,

Delegates—*Florence N. Bradfield, *Mary Ferguson, *Emma Beetham.

Alternates—Mary A. Hall, Ellen Teas, Minnie Beetham.

WADSWORTH CORPS, No. 16, Rocky Ford.

Corps President—Ida Hickox.

Past Corps Presidents Flora J. Hall, Mary Guthrie, Carrie Price, Emma J. Fenlason.

Delegate—Nancy J. Maltby.

Alternate—Addie Lance.

GRAND JUNCTION CORPS No. 17, Grand Junction.

Corps President—Sarah Oldham.

Past Corps Presidents Ella B. Ackerman, Adelia Dittman, Ida M. Fallis, Elizabeth Bartlett, Amy Young, Hettie E. Rundle.

Delegates—*Mahala Wiley, Lizzie Dickerson.

Alternates—Ella Aikin, Helen Julian.

R. A. CAMERON CORPS, No. 18, Fort Morgan.

Corps President—Estella C. Robinson.

Past Corps Presidents *Matilda J. Hotchiss, Hattie H. Otis, *Arabella C. Johnson, Clara Gilbertson.

Delegates—*Kate Clatworthy, Sarah Remington.

Alternates—Martha L. Baker, Pearl Ashton.

WINFIELD SCOTT CORPS, No. 19, Aspen.

Corps President—Mary E. Nevins.

Past Corps Presidents—Gwendoline Powell, Anna McKnight,
Mary Youngson, Lovenia Hart, Lizzie McDonald.

Delegate—Lizzie McDonald.

Alternate—Jane Johns.

CUSTER CORPS, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.

Corps President—Lizzie Reals.

Past Corps Presidents—Adda Ulen, Lida E. Fitch, Anna B. Hol-
liday, *Olivia Peale, Mary Ingersoll, Ann Woodard, Phoebe Gear-
hart, Maria Baillie, Mary A. Kinnear.

Delegates—*Charlotte Brandis, *Olivia Peale.

Alternates—Lizzie Reals, Mary Robinson.

RENO CORPS, No. 21, Denver.

Corps President—*Mary Mayo.

Past Corps Presidents—*Lucy M. Capron, *Olive Hogle, *Ida
Critchell, *Minnie M. Macarey.

Delegates—*Anna Hunt, *Sarah Russell, *Marie Rose.

Alternates—Minnie Neilson, Elizabeth Martin, Sadie Abel.

MULLIGAN CORPS, No. 22, Springfield.

Corps President—Mary E. Robertson.

Past Corps Presidents—Mary E. Cole, Mary E. Robertson.

J. W. ANDERSON CORPS, No. 23, Cripple Creek.

Corps President—*Mattie J. McDonald.

Past Corps Presidents—*Alice M. Seeds, *Stella A. Kyle, *Alice
T. Smith, *Annie B. Leimberger.

Delegates—*Ella Joyce, *Georgia Williams, *Mary H. Berry,
*Emma Hughes, *Marian L. White.

Alternates—Jessie McArthur, Parthenia Wright, Lou W. Aller,
Christina Friedhoff, Jennie Davidson.

W. L. SHERMAN CORPS, No. 24, Evans.

Corps President—*Lydia C. Young.

Past Corps Presidents—Jessie Laughlin, Nellie S. Flint, *L. A.
Herriott, Gertrude M. Flint, Lydia C. Young.

Delegate—*Grace Carson.

Alternate—Sarah Pardee.

PFEIFFER CORPS, No. 25, Alamosa.

Corps President—Amelia K. Gerteison.

Past Corps Presidents—Adelina Miller, Sadie Simons, Amelia
K. Gerteison.

Delegate—Emma O. Adams.

Alternate—Nellie E. Shone.

GEO. H. THOMAS CORPS, No. 26, Fort Collins.

Corps President—*Hannah King.

Past Corps Presidents *Olivia L. Mandeville; Sara B. C. Stephenson, Isabel L. Woods, Elnora Baker, Ida E. Seckner, Ella Walsh, Mary A. Weidman, Irene McLain.

Delegates—Clara Mandeville, Martha C. Fish, Minnie E. McLain.

Alternates—Hattie Buss, Rosamond Smith, Sarah Davis.

NATHANIEL LYON CORPS, No. 27, Boulder.

Corps President—*Sarah A. Rosier.

Past Corps Presidents—M. Berwick Anderson, *Laura S. Dodge, Isa E. Crosby, *Emma D. Adams, *Catherine O'Brien, Virginia M. Feeney, *Clara L. Whitney, *Mary E. Ullmer, Eliza J. Norton, Marian Sutton, Fannie Dickey, Maria Luce, *Irene B. Cowie.

Delegates—*Laura Yates, Etta Coan, Teresa Weisenhour, Mary J. Oakes.

Alternates—*Nellie Worley, *Emma Terry, Mary Goldsworthy, Abbie Stacy.

ELLSWORTH CORPS, No. 28, Central City.

Corps President—Ida M. Johnson.

Past Corps Presidents—Elizabeth Young Quigley, Pauline Ashbaugh.

Delegates—*Sophia Carlson, Lizzie Clark.

Alternates—*Elizabeth McLeod, Sadie Bawdon.

ELBERT COUNTY CORPS, No. 29, Elizabeth.

Corps President—Sarah Lundy.

Senior Vice-President—*Mrs. Gleason.

Past Corps President—*L. J. Fahrion.

Delegates—*Olive Killin, *Elwilda Stoddard.

Alternates—Bacia Grebe, *——— Brown.

JIM BOWIE CORPS, No. 30, Amethyst.

Corps President—Cornelia Lahr.

Past Corps President—Jennie Woodruff.

Delegate—Helen Jackson.

Alternate—Irene Nash.

A. J. SMITH CORPS, No. 31, Florence.

Corps President—*Anna Hurst.

Past Corps President—Ella Wayne.

Delegate—*Jennie Gordon.

Alternate—Stella Clever.

MCPHERSON CORPS, No. 32, Longmont.

Corps President—*Belle Abbott.

Past Corps Presidents—*Mary L. Carr, Eva G. Coffin, Emily F. Beckwith, Belle Abbott, Sarah Richart, Mary A. Sebern, Elizabeth Williams.

Delegates—*Ellen Wheatley, *Susie Carr McGuire.

Alternates—Etta Smith, Charlotte Epperson.

KILPATRICK CORPS, No. 34, La Junta.

(No report.)

MAJOR ANDERSON CORPS, No. 35, Arvada.

Corps President—*Emma J. Mellette.

Past Corps Presidents—*Mary Johnson, *Clara W. Green, *Amanda Graham.

Delegate—*Mary Berkshire.

Alternate—Elizabeth Williams.

AKRON CORPS, No. 36, Akron.

Corps President—Ella E. Derby.

EDWIN M. STANTON CORPS, No. 37, Salida.

Corps President—*Anna TenBroeck.

Past Corps Presidents—Margaret C. Delo, Delia F. Buell, Anna TenBroeck.

Delegates—*Melia A. Newton, Emma Comstock.

Alternates—Etta Hull, Louise Buckholtz.

A. E. BURNSIDE CORPS, No. 38, Loveland.

Corps President—Mary L. Thorndyke.

Past Corps Presidents—Mary Phelps, Luella Wilson.

Delegate—*Carrie I. Chadbourne.

Alternate—Ella Faulkner.

PIKE'S PEAK CORPS, No. 39, Manitou.

Corps President—Malania Lowther.

Past Corps Presidents—Irene Hoffman, *Katie Sahrbeck, Mary J. Broughton.

Delegate—*Margaret Davis.

Alternate—Effie Carrington.

M. M. CROCKER CORPS, No. 40, Denver.

Corps President—*Eliza F. Le Fever.

Past Corps Presidents—*Lucy M. Campbell, Minna Rischie, *Sarah E. Waldo, Eleanor Brown, *Alice A. Easton.

Delegates—*Ellen M. Pierce, *Clara Schultie, *Alice Harmon.

Alternates—Charlotte Moore, Minnie Gould, Georgia Hill.

VICTOR CORPS, No. 41, Victor.

Corps President—Grace Kirk.

Past Corps Presidents—*Hannah Johnson, Camilla Maulsby, Josephine Mays, Margaret Appel, Mary E. Campbell, Carrie D. Thayer.

Delegate—*Margaret Fritz.

Alternate—Martha Thomas.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CORPS, No. 42, Denver.

Corps President—*May E. Donn.

Past Corps Presidents—*Carrie Russell, *Debra Moser, *Margaretta Kauffman, *Miriam B. Clark, *Celestia I. Barker.

Delegates—*Annie Granteer, *Carrie W. Coggsall.

Alternates—Annie Frary, Mary E. Benedict.

JOE HOOKER CORPS, No. 43, Monte Vista.

Corps President—Alice B. Cheney.

Past Corps Presidents—Effie V. B. Aldrich, Belle M. Packard, Alice B. Cheney.

Delegates—Lizzie B. Sylvester, Clara Bonner.

Alternates—Lida Strawn, Royena L. Winters.

PHIL. SHERIDAN CORPS, No. 44, Buena Vista.

Corps President—Mary Warner.

JOHN C. FREMONT CORPS, No. 45, Littleton.

Corps President—*Jennie Misner.

Past Corps Presidents—*Inez B. Hill, *Mary Cozens, *Jennie Chapman.

Delegate—*Ellen Knight.

Alternate—Esther Cobb.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,

Department of Colorado and Wyoming,

THE Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, met in Odd Fellows Hall, 1543 Champa street, Denver, Colo., Wednesday, March 21, 1900, at 9:30 A. M., and was called to order by the Department President, Alice M. Seeds.

Alice M. Seeds, Department President: While waiting for the Committee on Credentials, the ladies can purchase flags for the flag salute of Mrs. Mary A. Condit, who will act as treasurer this morning.

Lucy M. Campbell moved that this be an open session until after the reading of the President's address. Seconded by Charlotte Coe, and adopted.

Charlotte Coe, Department Chaplain, led the Convention in the Lord's Prayer. Singing of the opening ode by the Convention.

The President made the following Convention appointments:

Assistant Secretary, Sarah A. Tucker, No. 2; Conductor, Marion L. White, No. 23; Assistant Conductor, Olive Killin, No. 29; Color Bearers, Ellen M. Pierce, No. 40; Mary H. Berry, No. 23; Mollie Warde, No. 8; Georgia Ives, No. 6. Convention Aides, Ida Critchell, No. 21; Stella Newman, No. 6; Mildred McKinsey, No. 1; Sarah J. Kimmins, No. 6; Susie Waters, No. 14; Mary Mayo, No. 21; Eliza LeFever, No. 40; May E. Donn, No. 42. Press Committee, Emma J. Mellette and Hester W. Hartzell. Guard, Elizabeth Van Brocklin, No. 21; Assistant Guard, Rosetta Fairchild, No. 1. Pianist, Raynie Hobart, No. 40. Chorister, Ellen Matteson, No. 6.

The Department Officers and Past Department Presidents, America Anderson, Mary L. Carr, Laura S. Dodge, Janette L. Todd, Fannie D. W. Hardin, Lucy M. Campbell; National Aide, Alice T. Smith; National Assistant Inspector, Hester W. Hartzell, were presented to the Convention and given the convention salute.

Mrs. Debra Moser, of George Washington Corps, No. 42, Denver, was introduced and delivered the address of welcome.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Madam President and Members of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic:

In assuming the duty on this great occasion of extending the fraternal welcome to the representatives of our noble Order, I fully appreciate the high honor conferred upon me; and were not humility the more exalted virtue, I might well be proud, for I realize that I am fully sustained by that royal welcome which is at all times given from all hearts when the object is so worthy.

Our city, I assure you, bids you a most cordial welcome within its gates; the Woman's Relief Corps of Denver, the Grand Army of the Republic, with all loyal citizens of our city join me in this hearty welcome. Every annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps gathers about us new interests and emotions. Here again upon our common altar we renew old friendships and create new ones; we cherish loving memories of those who will meet with us no more. In the words of Whittier:—

"Remember those eyes that smile no more,
Those unreturning feet."

In considering the necessity of caring for the old comrade and his dependent ones, a most touching appeal stirs all hearts to-day; but the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic stands now as ever, ready and joyous to render assistance wherever needed.

And while we will ever cherish sympathy for the living, our tears for the dead shall be tempered in hope:

"On Fame's Eternal camping ground
Their silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards with solemn round
The bivouac of the dead."

In the death of our beloved Annie Wittenmeyer, we hear once more the gentle voice of the Heavenly Father, as, one by one, He summons his children away from the earth. Her name is familiar to every member of the Woman's Relief Corps. She will long be

remembered for her useful deeds and noble character. While we regret her loss, we are confident of her Eternal reward.

Rest in peace, O gentle Spirit;
Throned above:
Souls like thine with God inherit
Life and Love.

The duty laid upon us is now even more urgent than ever before. Year by year the recollections of youth, the heroism of those great achievements resulting in new and better union of hearts and states, the untold stories of personal suffering and bravery, these memories are every day fading from the mind. Age and helpless infirmity are creeping over them like the early shadows of a winter day.

Soon the last camp fire will be lighted. Let us hasten to gather all its possible glowing warmth into our hearts, and be ready to quickly render what service remains for us to do.

We must to-day elect new officers. May we be as wise and successful in the selection of our officers for the coming year as in the past. May this Sixteenth Annual Convention prove a blessing to us all. May its work be harmonious and its delegates all treasure the brightest memories of this meeting.

And now permit me to bid once more a hearty welcome in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, and with the sincere wish of every member of the Woman's Relief Corps of Denver for your future happiness and the success of our noble Order.

Mrs. President, I thank you again for this opportunity, and beg you to accept my appreciation of your close attention upon this happy occasion.

The response was made by Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, of Casper W. Collins Corps, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.

RESPONSE.

Mrs. President and Delegates to the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

To me has been accorded the pleasant duty, in behalf of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, of expressing our appreciation of the very cordial greetings extended us. As we meet here year after year in Convention, we might reasonably expect Denver to become weary in well doing; but we find the same royal welcome each time we come.

Many of these ladies are no doubt in convention for the first time--others of us are growing old and grey in the service. The one looks forward to the future--the other looks backward to the past. May I urge the former to assist in making this the banner Convention of their lives? Pleasant memories are wonderfully stimulating. First impressions are often the most lasting. I can just catch in the

distance the vision of a baby girl held at arms' length to watch a stalwart father marching to the front. The father never returned. That faint impression has outlived all others. It has been the guiding star of my life. So, from these words of welcome, and these hearty, loving grasps, we can get inspiration for work. Did I say work? Rather let it be a feast of gladness and a labor of love.

I do not only thank you for the gracious welcome extended to us, visitors in your midst—but more than that, I thank you for the loyalty of the welcome. Many of us have had our first real chance during the last year or two to know just what war means and what sacrifices it calls forth. We can better understand some things now. "One touch of nature makes the whole world akin."

The sons of to-day are worthy of their sires of yesterday. How proud we are of Wyoming and Colorado, and we want all to share our joy with us, that the two grand elements are found within our everlasting hills—the highest per cent. of patriotism and the lowest per cent. of illiteracy.

We have all a tender spot in our hearts for the old comrade in blue.

We are constantly reminded of our duty by the failing step and thinning ranks. Not a day passes but the last bugle sounds and some old veteran is mustered out. In behalf of these, also, whose last days we have been in some measure able to comfort, we thank you for this royal welcome.

Department Senior Vice-President, Sarah B. C. Stevenson, was called to the chair and the President proceeded to read her address.

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

To the Officers and Members of the Sixteenth Department Convention:

LADIES—A little less than eleven months ago the representatives of this Department, in convention assembled, elected me to the high and responsible office of President, entrusting to my guidance the welfare of this Department. It is with some pride I stand before you to-day and review the work we have accomplished in advancing the interests of our loved Order within our borders.

When I accepted the honor you so generously bestowed upon me, I was somewhat acquainted with the responsibilities attending it; but the performance of these duties from day to day brought a deeper sense of realization of the magnitude of the work, and the necessity of devising ways and means to accomplish the best results was my constant thought, labor and anxiety. My term of office has been all too short for the accomplishment of what I had hoped and desired to do; yet it is with gratitude that we stand on the threshold between the eve of the old and the dawn of a new administration and greet you all with fraternal feelings.

As we listen to the reports of each of the Department officers, I trust every member present will realize the importance of giving their earnest and thoughtful attention to the same and all suggestions made, and legislate wisely for the best interests of the Order.

THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

The days and hours as I recall them have been full, but the pleasant tasks have overshadowed by far those of an unpleasant nature.

The correspondence, of which I endeavored to keep an account, soon grew beyond me, so that I gave up keeping an accurate record of letters received or answered. Eight General Orders, one Memorial Order and four Circular Letters have been issued from Department headquarters; the latter included Circular Letter No. 1 to Post Commanders having no Auxiliary; No. 2 issued by Department Inspector; No. 3 to Assistant Patriotic Instructors from Department Patriotic Instructor, and No. 4 to Department Aides from Chief Aide; the first and last were type-written at no expense to the Department.

MEMBERSHIP.

We are pleased to report an increase in membership.

Our loss during the year is largely due to suspension, to which the Department Secretary will call special attention.

While every effort has been made to organize a Corps auxiliary to every Post in this Department, our efforts were not as successful as we desired. The great number of beneficiary and social organizations springing up throughout our states impedes to a certain extent the advancement of our Order. Early in my administration I prepared and sent to the Commander of each Post without a Corps a circular letter, accompanied by the necessary instructions for organizing, which resulted in the organization of two Corps, bearing the names of two of our most worthy comrades of this Department, Myron W. Reed, No. 7 and Byron L. Carr, No. 10. Phil. Sheridan, No. 44, has also been recently reorganized, thus adding three new Corps to our roster.

My efforts have not been only to organize Corps, but to encourage the weak ones, and I feel rewarded to some extent in this respect. I found three Corps while on my inspection trip very much discouraged and on the verge of disbanding, but, by earnest solicitation, they decided to retain their charter, and with their renewed efforts are now in good working order.

The increase in membership and interest in many of the older Corps is marked. Therefore I make recommendation No. 1: That the rate of representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

By request, applications for charters have been forwarded to Sheridan, Wyo., Holyoke, Woodland Park and Delta. An organization will undoubtedly be effected at the last named place in the near future. As the provision for defraying the traveling expenses of Instituting and Installing Officers is left with the Department, I offer recommendation No. 2:

That the Corps organization defrays the expenses of the Instituting and Installing Officer, said officer being appointed to incur least expense.

DISBANDED CORPS.

I had earnestly hoped to avoid reporting anything under this head, but, to our sincere regret, on March 5th the charter and supplies of Richardson Corps, No. 33, Las Animas, were received at headquarters, thereby incurring a loss to our membership of twenty-eight members.

Previous to this time I had correspondence with the President, Department Aide and other members of the Corps, and tried in every way to encourage them to retain their Charter, but to no avail, as the President stated it was impossible to get any one to serve as officers; therefore, on account of lack of interest it became necessary to disband.

FINANCES.

Every business proposition has been considered well, and economy practiced becoming to the dignity of this Department in our expenditures in order that we might be able to increase the sur-

plus received at the beginning of this administration. But being deprived of this quarter's per capita by the early dates for Convention has interfered largely with our plans, as the year's expenses are contracted just the same and must be paid from the finances on hand. Headquarters not being located on any of the main lines of the principal railway systems, it was impossible to obtain transportation for official work as often as desired. Through personal application, I have received some courtesies in the way of transportation, thereby enabling me to travel in official duties about 7,000 miles at a small expense to the Department.

The reduction of one-half cent per capita to National, will be of some assistance to our finances, but not sufficient for any reduction in our capita tax, hence recommendation No. 3:

That the per capita tax be continued at fifteen cents per quarter.

RELIEF WORK.

The relief work, "cash and estimated," amounts to the magnificent sum of \$3,717.21.

We have a right to be proud of what has been accomplished in the past, but let us strive to excel in the future, even if it requires much self sacrifice on the part of each member.

DEPARTMENT RELIEF WORK.

A competent committee has been in charge of this branch of Department work.

Many worthy cases have been reported, all of which received prompt attention and assistance. It has been the duty of the committee to visit the sick and bury the dead. The pathetic cases appeal to the sympathies and are an encouragement for the continuance of relief work.

I appreciate the faithfulness of the Department Relief Committee, and particularly that of the chairman, Helen R. Eldridge, who has always been willing to devote her time and best efforts to the duties of the position.

EMERGENCY FUND.

A few demands on this fund from some of the Corps has been brought to my notice, but none from the Department, and as we have a surplus of \$38.60 in that fund, I offer recommendation No. 4:

That the amount of cash in the Emergency Fund be placed in the Department Relief Fund.

MEMORIAL DAY.

"Strew all their graves with flowers—
They for their country died,
And freely gave their lives for ours—
Their country's hope and pride."

This day is of sacred memories, dear to the hearts of a patriotic, loving people who assemble together annually to pay a loving tribute

to the memory of our Nation's honored dead by strewing the graves with springtime blossoms, their fragrance breathing the love and tender recollections of hallowed associations and sweet memories.

To many of our members the last Memorial Day had a greater significance than ever before, when we offered the garlands of ever-green and forget-me-nots as a tribute to the courage, unfaltering purpose and self-sacrifice of those who fell in the Spanish-American war.

The day was universally observed throughout the Department, according to the report of Department Chaplain; Corps co-operating with Posts in appropriate exercises. To me was accorded the honor by my home Post and Corps of delivering an address, dedicating a shaft erected to the memory of the "Unknown Dead."

IN MEMORIAM.

During the year twelve members of our Order in this Department have passed on before, leaving us to take up the work they have laid down.

By National authority, our charters were ordered draped in honor of Past National President Annie Wittenmyer, who passed to a higher life February 5th, leaving the Order to mourn the loss of a worthy member and a true friend to the veteran. "Her works do live after her."

Sleep sweetly in your humble graves,
The blossoms of your fame are blown,
Behold, your sisters bring their tears,
And yearly their memorial blooms.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The W. R. C. of this Department accepted the kind invitation of Commander Royal to join the Comrades on the official train to attend the Seventeenth National Convention at Philadelphia, Penn.

Our delegation was very small. None of the regularly elected delegates or alternates were able to attend; so, with the consent of the Department Council, Emily R. Cohen, Past Department Secretary, was appointed delegate-at-large, and Minnie Beetham of Greeley, second delegate. Only one other representative was present—Past President Fannie D. W. Hardin.

Through the courtesy of Commander Royal, we also had the privilege of sharing headquarters with them at the Continental Hotel, where we had the pleasure of greeting many members of our Order from other Departments. The Convention was pleasant and harmonious, and, I believe, one of the most profitable ever held.

The citizens of the Quaker City were untiring in their efforts in extending courtesies and making all feel they were truly welcome.

While there I visited many places of interest of Revolutionary fame.

GRAND ARMY.

The Woman's Relief Corps has a broader mission than that of charity. Its work is closely allied to the highest interests of our country and associated with one of the greatest events in its history. It is a work dedicated to the Grand Army of the Republic by the loyal womanhood of the Nation.

In a spirit of gratitude to "those whose valor from treason saved our land" the Woman's Relief Corps was formed; and every charter issued places it in closer relationship to the Grand Army of the Republic, in whose interests we are organized.

May the result of this Convention reassure the Comrades that we honor the badge they wear—a badge emblematical of battles fought and victories won in defence of the Union.

SONS OF VETERANS.

Many of the members of this organization have proven themselves heroes during the past year and worthy of their rich heritage by serving their country in the recent war.

Let us render to the Sons of Veterans help and encouragement whenever and wherever we can.

LADIES AID SOCIETY.

This organization maintains the same relation to the Sons of Veterans that the Woman's Relief Corps sustains to the Grand Army of the Republic. We extend to them a godspeed in their noble work and our thanks for the interest and assistance rendered the Union Veteran.

SOLDIERS' HOMES.

I had the pleasure of visiting the Homes located in this Department, while on my inspection tour among the Corps, and found both in excellent condition under their present management, and the comrades seemingly contented and well cared for.

The cottage plan adopted by the Wyoming Home will be explained by the Department Junior Vice President, Sadie M. Fisher.

During the past year, when the financial condition of the Monte Vista Home was made known throughout the Department, several of the Corps wrote immediately to headquarters asking how they could assist. Two Corps forwarded \$25.00 each, others smaller sums, with request to call upon them again if necessary. Finally the counties, then the State, came to the rescue, and by a timely appropriation placed the finances on a more substantial basis.

One hundred and sixty comrades were enrolled at the Home at Monte Vista, and about thirty at the Wyoming Home.

SPECIAL FUNDS.

The call issued from headquarters for the assistance of Jim Bowie Corps, No. 30, met with a generous response, and that little band of patriotic women, encouraged by the kindly interest shown in them, were enabled to resume the work again, and are now in a prosperous condition.

While visiting the Soldiers' Home, Col. Shaw, of Colorado Home and General Stitzer, of the Wyoming Home, were interviewed as to what would be most appreciated for the Corps to donate. Col. Shaw expressed a desire for a flag for the hospital building, and a continuance of current literature and books for the library. General Stitzer thought a gramophone would add to the enjoyment and pleasure of the comrades. Calls for the above funds were issued through General Orders, and a most liberal response was the result. A detailed report will be given by the committee in charge.

The amount contributed to the National W. R. C. Home fund compares favorably per capita with that of other Departments.

Responses have not been received yet to the circulars recently issued for the benefit of the "National Council of Women" and "Andersonville Prison" funds. The latter is an assessment of one-half cent per member, to be forwarded with first quarter's reports.

INSPECTION.

Every Corps in the Department, with the exception of three, had a personal visit and inspection by a Department officer. Arrangements had been made for the visit to Springfield, but a letter from them advised us not to make the long, tiresome stage trip, as they had not been able to hold a meeting for some time.

It became necessary, in order to save expense to the Department, for me to assume the entire western slope of the Rockies, and, owing to the short time to do the work, I was obliged to forego the pleasure of a visit to Sedgwick, No. 3, and North Fork, No. 11.

A half-rate on almost all lines was secured for the inspection work.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I had expected to visit the majority of the Corps, at least, during the year, and had planned much for the present month in this respect, but here, too, plans were frustrated as already mentioned.

Altogether, combining official visits with inspection, I visited eighteen Corps, in each and every one receiving a cordial welcome.

I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Upton, No. 2, Pueblo, Victor, No. 41, and my home Corps. All held joint installations with the Posts, followed by receptions.

It was with regret that I was unable to accept the many kind invitations tendered me to attend campfires and reunions in company with Com. Royal.

DISCIPLINE.

A number of questions have been referred to me for decisions, but in most all cases they were readily covered by Rules and Regulations. Two cases of "charges preferred" were sent to me for approval, but they being irregular, a final disposition of both was made, with the consent of the Corps forwarding the same.

The Department is to be congratulated on the general harmonious feeling throughout the Corps.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.

More than ever do we realize the importance of teaching patriotism in the public schools. This branch of the work of our Order is receiving more thoughtful consideration every year by our best workers, and plans laid for more systematic work. With the revision of the blanks for this year, the forwarding of the same has been somewhat retarded, and shortened the time for the Assistant Patriotic Instructors to forward their reports.

DEPARTMENT AIDES.

A Department Aide was appointed from each Corps with Ida Critchell as Senior Aide and Chief of Staff. She will give an account of each one's stewardship in this respect.

Commissions were forwarded to all who accepted the honor conferred.

PRESS CORRESPONDENTS.

The Department Press Correspondent has been ever willing to advance the interests of the Order through the press. She has reported many commendable articles from the Corps of this Department to both National and local patriotic papers. In order to make known to the general public the objects and achievements of our Order I offer recommendation No. 5:

That the incoming President apply to one of the leading daily papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions.

COMMITTEES.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, who has served the Department so acceptably in selecting literature and books for the Soldiers' Home, kindly accepted the same appointment; also to superintend the making of the hospital flag.

With her excellent judgment and her knowledge of other selections made, we feel assured that the duties were well performed, and she is entitled to the highest words of praise.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Words are powerless to express my gratitude to my staff of officers, who have been ready to respond to every demand and per-

formed promptly and efficiently every duty assigned them. I desire to express my thanks to Department Commander Royal for favors received, and for kind, helpful words of encouragement in behalf of our Order; also, to Assistant Adjutant General Brown and members of the Grand Army throughout the Department for uniform kindness and courtesy.

Also would I acknowledge the efficient services of Mrs. Ida M. Fallis, who so kindly instituted Myron W. Reed Corps, No. 7; to Mrs. Delia F. Buell and Mary Warner in the organization of Phil. Sheridan Corps, No. 44, and Mrs. Sarah Lundy in organizing Byron L. Carr Corps, No. 10.

To the Department Treasurer, whose business relations are closely associated with those of mine, I can say nothing too high in praise and gratitude. And to you, my Secretary, I am under many obligations for your prompt and efficient assistance; your loyal devotion and cheerful co-operation have lightened many times the arduous work of the year and will ever be gratefully remembered. Our work together has been one of love and devotion to our Order, and as our official life closes, may these ties prove the golden cord that binds us together—friends, tried and true, is my earnest wish.

To Mrs. Alice T. Smith, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, I would acknowledge helpful assistance, and to Mrs. Olive McKee, my thanks are due for hand painting National Delegates' badges with the beautiful columbine, our State flower, of which we are all very proud.

The National Standard being our official organ, we appreciate their kindly interest in publishing the General Orders and items of interest pertaining to the Order, and I recommend that the Corps support it by their subscriptions and contributions.

To Past Department Commanders George Ady and S. K. Hooper I am under many obligations for courtesies and favors received on their respective lines of railway and return thanks in behalf of this Department.

To my home Corps and Post, Jas. W. Anderson, do I express my sincere appreciation for your hearty support and co-operation throughout the year's work, believing you fully appreciated the honor conferred by the many courtesies extended to me.

I shall ever remember with pleasure my visits with the Corps over the Department and the hospitality shown me by the members will ever be a bright spot on memory's page.

CONCLUSION.

I now return to you the trust committed to my care, with the consciousness of performing the duties incumbent to the office to the best of my ability.

No doubt mistakes have been made, but rest assured they were errors of judgment rather than of the heart, and I ask your for-

bearance in all shortcomings. I bespeak for my successor the same thoughtful consideration and support accorded me. To the members of this Convention and to every Corps which you represent, again I thank you.

The address was referred to the proper committee.

Mrs. Abbie Adams, of Superior, Neb., National Instituting and Installing Officer, was welcomed and introduced to the Convention and made a few remarks.

Mrs. Adams said in part:

I am here as a representative of the National Staff. It is a pleasure to meet you in that capacity, and to bring to you greetings. I come as a fellow worker from your sister State, Nebraska. We are certainly closer allied than those of Eastern States, and as I meet you and see your faces, and realize what has brought you into Convention, I feel proud of the women of America. Denver has the honor of being nationalized as the place where we received recognition from that higher organization, the Grand Army of the Republic.

The President then declared the open session closed and the password was taken by the Conductors, who reported all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Roll call of officers. All officers present except Clara Rapp, Treasurer, Ida M. Fallis, Patriotic Instructor, and member of the Executive Board, Marian E. Kelley.

The Credential Committee reported 145 delegates present.

Reports of Senior and Junior Vice-President and Secretary were read, and each referred to their respective committee.

Report of Senior Vice President.

OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT,

FORT COLLINS, COLO., March 14, 1900.

MRS. STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MY DEAR MADAM—A good soldier cheerfully obeys orders, and willingly performs all duties assigned him; and as "auxiliaries" we "step into rank" and take up our arms. Therefore I cheerfully submit the following report as Senior Vice President of this Order; a report necessarily brief, being that of a Vice upon whom no onerous

tasks have been imposed. The work of inspection to which I was appointed, proved a real pleasure instead of a task. I was most cordially welcomed by each Corps visited, and treated as a sister. I found all Corps working in perfect harmony with their respective Posts. The work was thoroughly reviewed and generally well performed. As a rule the members were found to be interested in their duties. Two of these Corps, though very small numerically, were mountains of strength, measured by their zeal and devotion to the cause. In looking over their work of relief extended I could but think, why are so many larger Corps so easily discouraged. I could come to but one conclusion, *every member was an active member*. Teas and receptions followed our work, and we departed, feeling that our labors had not been in vain.

Submitted in F., C. and L.

SARA B. C. STEPHENSON,
Department Senior Vice President.

Report of the Junior Vice President.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MADAM—According to the required Rules and Regulations of our Order, I herewith submit the following as Junior Vice President:

We are fully aware the office for this year has been one without work. Perhaps it is sometimes more pleasant to be "ornamental" than useful.

The efficiency of our Department President left no work for the Junior Vice; therefore I determined to at least visit the Wyoming Soldiers' Home as frequently as possible, thereby keeping in touch with the "veteran and his dependent ones." Under the care of the Home at the present time are two old ladies, whose husbands are inmates. As the laws prohibit the wives of the comrades from living in the State Homes, cottages are provided near the institution and they have the happy privilege of being together, the Home furnishing all the necessities for their comfort, the comrades paying the rent from their pensions.

I found it a source of pleasure to visit the Home, as well as the old ladies. I go two or three times each week, read to and often write letters for them, and by their cheerful, happy greetings am amply repaid for the time spent.

When inspecting the Corps assigned me, I found interest manifested in nearly all. Especially in one of the smallest Corps in this Department were the members working faithfully, although under many difficulties, endeavoring to hold semi-monthly meetings regu-



STELLA A. KYLE,

Past Dept. Secretary.

larly with just a quorum—"merely this and nothing more," some of the members going several miles to attend. Their aim and purpose is how best to serve the Post to which they are auxiliary, remembering always the object for which they are banded together.

"And thus they honor all the heroes
Who stood in the thick of the fight,
Where deadly missiles were flying,
And earnestly fought for the right,
"Sacred to freedom forever
Is the soil where they fought and bled;
No bondsman shall again wear the shackle,
And no lash dare be raised o'er his head.
"Above the flags of all nations
Our loved banner floats high;
Its stars like the stars of Heaven
And its blue as blue as the sky.
"Forever may it wave in its beauty,
And all nations soon be free and right;
Let no star be lost from its azure,
Or one blot ever stain its pure white."

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SADIE M. FISHER,
Junior Vice President.

Report of Department Secretary.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT SECRETARY,
CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., March 20, 1900.

MRS. ALICE M. SEEDS, Department President, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM—In accordance with the requirements of my office and the fulfilling of its duties I take pleasure in submitting to you and the Sixteenth Department Convention the following report of the membership and condition of the Corps for the fiscal year:

When you assumed the office of Department President there were forty-two Corps, with a membership of 1,548.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER.

GAIN		LOSS.	
By initiation.....	94	By death.....	1
" transfer.....	12	" honorable discharge.....	11
" reinstatement.....	21	" transfer.....	6
		" suspension.....	53
		" delinquent reports.....	100
Total.....	127	Total.....	171
Membership for June 30, 1899, 1,504.			

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By charter.....	15	By death.....	4
" initiation.....	41	" honorable discharge.....	3
" transfer.....	3	" transfer.....	4
" reinstatement.....	26	" suspension.....	71
" delinquent reports.....	100	" delinquent reports.....	52
Total.....	188	Total.....	134

Membership for September 30, 1899, 1,558.

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By initiation.....	65	By death.....	4
" transfer.....	6	" honorable discharge.....	21
" reinstatement.....	94	" transfer.....	16
		" suspension.....	75
		" delinquent reports.....	66
Total.....	165	Total.....	182

Membership for December 31, 1899, 1,541.

Since January 1, 1900, two new Corps have been organized, with a membership of 44.

Reinstated the three delinquent Corps, with a gain of seventy-nine members.

Loss by surrender of Richardson Corps, twenty-eight members.

Total membership March 20, 1900, 1,636.

Net gain for the fiscal year, 95.

AMOUNT OF RELIEF EXPENDED.

CASH.		OTHER THAN CASH.	
Second quarter.....	\$ 346 57	Second quarter.....	\$ 673 05
Third quarter.....	333 27	Third quarter.....	264 95
Fourth quarter.....	526 82	Fourth quarter.....	1,312 95
Total.....	\$1,206 66	Total.....	\$2,250 95

Number of soldiers assisted, 217.

Total number of persons assisted, 871.

Cash turned over to Posts, \$184.60.

CORPS ON THE ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut, No. 1.....	Denver.
Upton, No. 2.....	Pueblo.
Sedgwick, No. 3.....	Durango.
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	Colorado Springs.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.....	Golden.
George G. Meade, No. 6.....	Denver.
Myron W. Reed, No. 7.....	Rifle.
James A. Garfield, No. 8.....	Leadville.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.....	Cheyenne.
Veteran, No. 14.....	Denver.
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	Greeley.
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	Grand Junction.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18.....	Fort Morgan.
Custer, No. 20.....	Laramie.

Reno, No. 21.....	Denver.
Mulligan, No. 22.....	Springfield.
James W. Anderson, No. 23.....	Cripple Creek.
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	Evans.
Pfeiffer, No. 25.....	Alamosa.
George H. Thomas, No. 26.....	Fort Collins.
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	Boulder.
Ellsworth, No. 28.....	Central City.
Elbert County, No. 29.....	Kiowa.
A. J. Smith, No. 31.....	Florence.
McPherson, No. 32.....	Longmont.
Akron, No. 36.....	Akron.
E. M. Stanton, No. 37.....	Salida.
A. E. Burnside, No. 38.....	Loveland.
Pike's Peak, No. 39.....	Manitou.
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	Denver.
George Washington, No. 42.....	Denver.
Joe Hooker, No. 43.....	Monte Vista.

Myron W. Reed, No. 7, was organized September 7, 1899, at Rifle, Colo., with fifteen charter members.

Byron L. Carr, No. 10, was organized March 7, 1900, at Fondis, Colo., with twenty-three charter members.

Phil Sheridan, No. 44, was organized March 6, 1900, at Buena Vista, Colo., with twenty-one charter members.

Richardson, No. 33, Las Animas, was regularly disbanded March 15, 1900, sending all supplies to this office.

We now have forty-four Corps in good standing in this Department.

CORPS EXPENDING THE LARGEST AMOUNT IN RELIEF.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs.....	\$204.25.
George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.....	131.60.
James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville.....	88.00.
M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver.....	84.00.

CORPS INITIATING THE LARGEST NUMBER DURING THE YEAR.

James W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek.....	41 members.
Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs.....	19 "
George Washington, No. 42, Denver.....	18 "
McPherson, No. 32, Longmont.....	12 "

James W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, now holds the championship—104 members in good standing last report.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs, ranks second, with 97 members.

George Washington, No. 42, Denver, although a small corps at the beginning of the year, made a marked advancement, ranking third in gain during the year.

There have been issued from these headquarters seven National General Orders, four National Circular Letters, one National Password, eight Department General Orders, one Memorial Order, four Department Circular Letters, one Department Password, three Char-

ters, forty-seven Commissions. To these be added quarterly blanks of Secretary and Treasurer, Memorial Day, Patriotic Instructor, President's Report (form oo), election returns, and all other blanks necessary to our Order.

The Journals of the Fifteenth Department Convention were sent by the retiring President and Secretary to all representatives entitled to receive them.

There is no one item of work at Department headquarters which causes more perplexity than incorrect or delinquent reports. If Corps Presidents would deem it their imperative duty to see that reports are properly made out, agreeing in every particular, and accompanied by the per capita tax, made payable to the Department Treasurer, and forwarded to the Department Secretary immediately after the last meeting in each quarter, it would save much expense and anxiety at headquarters, and the Department Secretary would not be forced to reiterate the same plea yearly.

Our loss during the year has been mainly due to suspension. Let me urge Corps Presidents to make a strong, united effort to reduce the suspended list, and only recommend good, energetic members for Aides. A personal visit will often save your members, or, by a little persuasion on the part of the Corps officers, the present members could be kept in good standing, and the suspended ones be brought back into the line of duty.

I had the pleasure of visiting for inspection five Corps in this Department, of which the Inspector will report; for the kind treatment received at the hands of these sisters, I entertain the highest appreciation.

Owing to a severe illness, I was obliged to take a sixty-day leave of absence, and seek a more congenial clime, leaving my office, at a time I was most needed, in the hands of our Department President, thereby imposing double duty.

While on this trip I visited the W. R. C. at Burr Oak, Kansas, and was very cordially received. I also had the pleasure of working up an interest in organizing a Corps at Hoyt, Kansas, to bear the name of my uncle, who, in life, was a warm friend of the W. R. C.

My thanks are due to many members throughout the Department; to Jas. W. Anderson Post, No. 96, and their noble auxiliary, No. 23, for loving words and many kindnesses received.

And to you, Mrs. President, I desire to express my sincere thanks for the confidence reposed in me in the appointment to this responsible position. I thank you for your patient forbearance, ready sympathy, and friendly counsels. The valuable assistance you have rendered at all times has made many rough places smooth. Your filling the position from which you are about to retire is the just reward of a faithful member of the Order, and a true friend of our Nation's defenders. I have endeavored to serve to the best of my ability, and as we sever our connection as President and Secretary, if

my work has merited your approbation, I shall be more than satisfied if you can consistently say, "She has done what she could."

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson, Department Senior Vice President, in behalf of the Department, presented Mrs. Alice M. Seeds, the Department President, with a handsome solitaire diamond ring, as a testimonial of the appreciation of her services during the past year. Mrs. Seeds expressed her thanks in a few well chosen words.

Committees were appointed as follows:

President's Address:

Mary L. Carr.....Longmont
Janette L. Todd.....Denver
Minnie E. Kingsford.....Rawlins, Wyo.

Senior Vice President's Report:

Olivia Peale.....Laramie
Anna B. Leimberger.....Cripple Creek
Anna Ten Broeck.....Salida

Junior Vice President's Report:

Lucy J. Dresser.....Greeley
Anna Hurst.....Florence
Hattie E. Bunn.....Leadville

Secretary's Report:

Edna Hamilton.....Denver
Loretta E. Munnah.....Colorado Springs
Ellen Wheatley.....Longmont

Treasurer's Report:

Margelia Hamilton.....Denver
Mary A. Moore.....Pueblo
Mary Hader.....Cheyenne

Chaplain's Report:

Clementine Hawes.....Greeley
Elizabeth McLeod.....Central City
Mary Mayo.....Denver

Counselor's Report:

Sarah A. Rosier.....Boulder
Ella M. Byers.....Denver
Mahala Wiley.....Grand Junction

Inspector's Report:

Hester W. Hartzell.....Denver
L. J. Fahrion.....Elizabeth
May E. Domm.....Denver

I. and I. Officer's Report:

Irene B. Cowie.....Boulder
Mattie J. McDonald.....Cripple Creek
Carrie I. Chadbourne.....Loveland

Patriotic Instructor's Report:

Katie Sahrbeck.....Manitou
Bacia Grebe.....Elizabeth
Margaret Fritz.....Victor

Report of Press Correspondent:

Susie Waters.....Denver
Hannah Johnson.....Victor
T. B. Pilburn.....Fondis

Report of Chairman of Department Relief:

Jennie Dunnington.....Colorado Springs
Jennie Magill.....Denver
Jennie Misner.....Littleton

Report of Delegate at Large:

Sadie M. Fisher.....Cheyenne
Nettie Marker.....Rile
Stella Newman.....Denver

Report of Chief Aide:

Lydia C. Young.....Evans
Louisa J. Parkhurst.....Fondis
Margaret Davis.....Manitou

Committee on Courtesies and Telegrams:

Olive C. Butler.....Denver
Laura S. Dodge.....Boulder
Arabella C. Johnson.....Fort Morgan

Committee on Resolutions:

Fannie D. W. Hardin.....Denver
Esther H. Randolph.....Greeley
Emma A. Hughes.....Cripple Creek

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by several, that we adjourn until 2 p. m. Carried.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by the Department President at 2:30 p. m.

Conductors reported all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Clark, that the delegates be seated in numerical order, according to Corps. Carried.

A few minutes was spent in seating the Convention.

Mrs. Catherine C. Kennedy, first President of this Department, was introduced and given the Convention salute.

The members of the Executive Board, Alice T. Smith, Olive McKee, Emma D. Adams and Mary A. Selleck, were also introduced.

The Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, also National Aide, was presented and given the Convention salute.

The reports of Treasurer, Chaplain, Counselor, Inspector and Instituting and Installing Officer were each read and referred to their respective committees.

Report of Department Treasurer.

DENVER, COLO., March 21, 1900.

MRS. STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary:

MADAM--In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith a financial statement for the year ending March 21, 1900:

ACCOUNT CURRENT.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

GENERAL FUND.	DEBIT.
Balance in general fund.....	\$ 148 15
Per capita tax.....	724 80
Sale of supplies.....	305 35
Charter fees.....	15 00
Sale of flags at Convention.....	23 10
Per capita tax, first quarter 1900.....	23 70

Total.....\$ 1,240 10

GENERAL FUND.	CREDIT.
Per capita tax to National Treasurer.....	\$ 126 35
Transferred to relief fund.....	72 60
Hotel bill, National President and daughter.....	16 25
W. R. C. reception, 1899, at Albany hotel.....	5 85
Railroad fare Mary E. Ullmer, auditing Department Treasurer's books.....	3 20
Sarah Kimmins, Assistant Secretary Dep't Convention, 1899.....	10 00
Printing Journals Fifteenth Annual Convention.....	115 00
Subscriptions to "National Tribune," "W. R. C. Record" and "Searchlight".....	2 00
Department President, official trip to Denver and return...	4 20
Department badges for National Convention.....	9 75
Postage on Journals to Lucy M. Campbell.....	11 00
Salaries of Department Secretary and Department Treasurer	150 00
Department President, expenses, official business.....	2 65
E. M. Stillings, postage on National Journals.....	6 82
Supplies from National Treasurer.....	247 94

Inspection expenses.....	88 40
Postage, revenue stamps and exchange	64 51
Printing stationery, circular letters and general orders.....	64 65
Express and drayage on supplies.....	19 03
Office supplies, telegrams and car fare.....	11 70
Refund, supplies returned.....	2 50
Department President, expenses National Convention	50 00
Four silk flags.....	4 00
Express on Department books, Cripple Creek and return..	6 60
Printing Rosters Sixteenth Department Convention	8 50
Testimonial for Department President.....	50 00

Balance	\$1,153 56
	80 51
Total.....	\$1,240 10

RELIEF FUND.

Dr.

Balance	\$ 65 19
Transferred to relief fund.....	72 60
Donations for Jim Bowie, No. 30, W. R. C.	36 00
W. R. C. Home, Madison, Ohio.....	22 07

Total.....	\$195 86
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RELIEF FUND.

Cr.

Helen R. Eldridge, chairman of relief.....	\$ 75 00
W. R. C. Home (National Treasurer).....	22 07
Jennie Woodruff, President Jim Bowie Corps.....	36 00

	\$133 07
Balance	62 79

Total.....	\$195 86
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SPECIAL FUNDS.

Dr.

National Council of Women.....	\$ 13 68
Memorial Day in the South.....	3 50
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Monte Vista, Colo.....	116 28
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Cheyenne, Wyo.....	38 50
Andersonville prison fund.....	3 05
Elizabeth Ross monument fund.....	25
Emergency fund.....	38 60

Total.....	\$213 86
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SPECIAL FUNDS.

Cr.

National Treasurer for Nat'l Council of Women.....	\$ 13 68
" " " Memorial Day in the South.....	3 50
Mrs. Clara Rapp, Committee on Soldiers' Home, Colo.....	116 28
" " " " Wyo.....	38 50
National Treasurer for Andersonville prison fund	3 05
National Treasurer for E. Ross monument fund.....	25

	\$175 26
Balance	38 60

Total.....	\$213 86
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ASSETS.

Balance in general fund.....	\$ 86 54
Balance in relief fund.....	62 79
Balance in emergency fund.....	38 60
Department property.....	382 84
Supplies on hand.....	102 40

Total.....\$673 14

Liabilities, none.

LIST OF SUPPLIES (CORPS).

4 bronze pins.....	\$ 1 00
1 gold charm.....	2 50
2 rolled gold pins.....	2 00
1 rolled gold charm.....	1 00
1½ yards Corps officer badge ribbon.....	28
3½ yards Department officer badge ribbon....	83
21 emblems.....	63
1 charter.....	25
6 rituals.....	1 50
4 Corps Service books.....	1 00
23 Burial and Memorial Service.....	2 30
79 Rules and Regulations.....	7 00
279 applications for membership.....	2 79
157 invoices of supplies to Corps.....	1 17
107 Corps members' arrearage blanks.....	53
7 Corps Treasurer's bonds.....	14
6 sheet music opening ode.....	60
2 Initiation March.....	50
1 large electro.....	35
1 small electro.....	25
42 specimen sheets of ledger.....	1 68
56 Corps Treasurer's reports (form W).....	56
5 Patriotic Primers.....	1 25
88 ode cards.....	1 32
91 discharge cards.....	1 82
103 transfer cards.....	2 06
59 visiting cards.....	1 18
1 block National credential cards.....	25
2 journals.....	1 60
3 ledgers.....	2 70
1 cash book.....	90
3 roll books.....	2 70
2 small journals.....	80
3 small ledgers.....	1 50
3 small cash books.....	1 50
1 Corps Secretary's order book.....	50
3 Corps Treasurer's receipt books.....	1 50
1 Department Treasurer's receipt book.....	70
5 general order files.....	3 00
4 letter files.....	2 40
10 red books.....	6 50
6 parliamentary rules.....	4 50
50 instructions to auditing committee.....	50
100 ballots.....	1 00
47 membership badges.....	9 25
34 officers' badges.....	8 14

Total.....\$87 33

SUPPLIES AT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

22 membership badges.....	\$8 14	9 rituals.....	2 25
12 officers' badges.....	4 44	4 silk flags and standards	
36 arrearage blanks.....	18	(not in very good order).	
6 form W.....	06		
Total.....			\$15 07

Supplies issued to Department officers, \$13.36.

LIST OF DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

1 hectograph.....	\$ 3 50	2 red books.....	\$ 1 30
1 letter scale.....	1 50	11 commissions.....	55
Banners.....	300 00	3/4 yard charter ribbon.....	30
8 silver pins.....	21 00	12 gold seal wafers.....	12
1 trunk (Secretary's).....	4 50	75 red seal wafers.....	75
1 trunk (Treasurer's).....	6 00	2 Dep't. service books.....	1 00
1 supply ledger.....	6 50	1 Beath's blue book.....	1 00
1 per capita tax book.....	2 75	1 Corps service book.....	25
1 ledger.....	8 00	1 ritual.....	25
1 seal.....	3 00	6 headquarters cards.....	1 25
1 charter.....	10 00	50 Department credential	
12 Dep't. official badges....	4 44	cards.....	25
1 large electro.....	35	1 book on patriotic teach-	
1 small electro.....	25	ing.....	1 00
Total.....			\$382 84

FREE BLANKS.

TREASURER'S.

102 Form B.
17 Form F.
116 Form G.
58 Form J.
42 Form L.
237 Form M.
49 Form O.
25 Form U.
16 charter application blanks.
19 Corps requisition books.
2 Department requisition books.

2 Applications for charter.

Bound Journals.

Supply of National and Department Journals, unbound.

Department Records.

HEADQUARTERS.

76 Form A.
2 Form J.
1 Form E.
25 Form N.
111 Form OO.
100 Form O.
3 Form P.
3 Form PP.
5 Form RR.
49 Form U.
100 Form V.
3 Form VV.
5 Form VVV.
14 Form G.

Owing to the early date of the Convention we cannot show as large a balance as we had anticipated, as the heavier expenses of the year come in the first three-quarters of an administration, and the fourth quarter is the only one to save money.

I cannot help regretting that the per capita for this quarter will not be credited to us.

Having been sick for the past three months, I wish to thank the Department President and my associate officers for their unvarying kindness and patience.

Although it is hard to endure so long an illness, the very kindly words spoken and written by my sisters of the W. R. C. have enabled me to bear it, and even look back to my sickness with pleasure.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

CLARA RAPP,
Department Treasurer.

Report of Department Chaplain.

GOLDEN, COLO., March 20, 1900.

* STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following report as Department Chaplain for the year just closing, as required by our Rules and Regulations:

Membership of Corps May 30, 1899.....	1,579
Number of members taking part on Memorial Day.....	804
Number of Corps attending in a body.....	37
Number of soldiers' graves decorated.....	1,771
Number of children taking part.....	7,078
Expenses incurred.....	\$313 80
Number of Corps providing refreshments for Posts.....	10
Number of Corps purchasing flowers.....	18
Number of Corps contributing flowers.....	25
Memorials prepared to "Unknown Dead".....	29
Amount sent for Memorial Day in the South.....	\$20 00

Those who have answered the last roll-call since last we met in convention:

Lulu I. Gould, charter member of Victor Corps, died June 18, 1899.

Belinda C. Sargent, George G. Meade, No. 6, died July 2, 1899.

Nettie Sherbondy, Winfield Scott, No. 19, died July 23, 1899.

Mary U. Calvert, Past Department I. and I. Officer, Veteran, No. 14, died July 24, 1899.

Nancy Fogg, A. E. Burnside, No. 38, died October 18, 1899.

Catherine Barker, Pike's Peak, No. 39, died November 27, 1899.

Orpha E. Bacon, McPherson, No. 32, died November 30, 1899.

Fannie Burke, J. W. Anderson, No. 23, died December 22, 1899.

Louise Warner, Grand Junction, No. 17, died December 28, 1899.

Etta Coan, Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, died January 23, 1900.

Laura Mason, Past Department I. and I. Officer, Upton, No. 2, died March 1, 1900.

Mary F. Gunn, George H. Thomas, No. 26, died March 14, 1900.

Past Department President Ella L. C. Dwinell has suffered the loss of her life companion; Department Senior Vice President Sara B. C. Stephenson a brother, and Past Department I. and I. Officer Sarah Waldo a son.

Our dear Past National President, Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer, has gone to her reward, and the welcome plaudit has greeted her:

"Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

"The departed, the departed, they visit us in dreams,
They glide above our memories, like shadows over streams."

And now, in concluding my report, let me thank the President, especially, and sister officers of this Department for the many courtesies extended and kind words that have come to me through our year's work. I have discharged my duty faithfully, to the best of my ability, and if I have made mistakes, believe me it was the head and not the heart.

I hope my successor will have as pleasant and profitable a year as I have had, and as we go down life's steep decline may we be more earnest in this glorious work, ever keeping in mind our motto: "One country, one language, one flag." I thank you.

Fraternally submitted.

CHARLOTTE COE,
Department Chaplain.

MEMORIAL REPORT

Department

NAME OF CORPS.	NO.	LOCAT
Parragut	1	Denver...
Upton	2	Pueblo...
Sedgwick	3	Durango...
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado...
T. H. Dodd	5	Golden...
Geo. G. Meade	6	Denver...
Jas. A. Garfield	8	Leadville...
J. F. Reynolds	9	Cheyenne...
North Fork	11	Hotchkiss...
Gunnison	12	Gunnison...
Casper W. Collins	13	Rawlins...
Veteran	14	Denver...
U. S. Grant	15	Greeley...
Wadsworth	16	Rocky Fo...
Grand Junction	17	Grand Ju...
R. A. Cameron	18	Ft. Morga...
Winfield Scott	19	Aspen...
Custer	20	Laramie...
Keno	21	Denver...
Mulligan	22	Springfie...
Jas. W. Anderson	23	Cripple C...
W. T. Sherman	24	Evans...
Pfeiffer	25	Alamosa...
Geo. H. Thomas	26	Ft. Collin...
Nathaniel Lyon	27	Boulder...
Ellsworth	28	Central C...
Elbert County	29	Elizabeth...
Jim Bowie	30	Amethyst...
A. J. Smith	31	Florence...
McPherson	32	Longmon...
Richardson	33	Las Anim...
Kilpatrick	34	La Junta...
Major Anderson	35	Arvada...
Akron	36	Akron...
E. M. Stanton	37	Salida...
A. R. Burnside	38	Loveland...
Pike's Peak	39	Manitou...
M. M. Crocker	40	Denver...
Victor	41	Victor...
George Washington	42	Denver...
Joe Hooker	43	Monte Vi...
John C. Fremont	45	Littleton...

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MEMORIAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	Number of Members taking part on Memorial Day.	Did Corps as a Body attend the Sabbath Memorial Service?	How many Soldiers' Graves were Deco- rated?	How many Children took part?	What Expense was incurred?	Were Refreshments provided for the Post?	Were Flowers pro- vided Post by purchase or contribution?	Was a Memorial pre- pared to "Unknown Dead."	Amt. of Contribution sent for Memorial Day in the South.
Parragut	1	Denver	53	53	Yes	658	5000	\$ 3 50	No	Both	.....
Upton	2	Pueblo	29	29	"	100	15	12 80	"	Both	Yes	
Bedgwick	3	Durango	24	15	"	39	50	59 75	"	"	"	\$ 1 00
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado Springs	85	"	"	89	"	"	"	Con.	"	
T H Dodd	5	Golden	38	20	"	31	50	5 1	Yes	"	"	
Geo G Meade	6	Denver	78	"	"	"	"	4 00	No	Pur.	"	1 00
Jas A. Garfield	8	Leadville	67	67	"	150	"	1 00	Yes	"	"	
J. F Reynolds	9	Cheyenne	51	16	"	80	"	17 50	No	"	No	
North Fork	11	Hatchkiss	30	25	"	10	100	25 00	"	"	Yes	1 00
Gunnison	12	Gunnison	30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Casper W. Collins	13	Rawlins	30	25	"	10	100	25 00	No	"	"	1 00
Veteran	14	Denver	61	"	No	"	"	7 50	"	"	"	
C. S. Grant	15	Greeley	52	40	Yes	12	100	"	No	Con.	"	1 00
Wadsworth	16	Rocky Ford	50	25	"	3	5	2 50	"	"	"	50
Grand Junction	17	Grand Junction	47	27	"	23	200	38 00	"	Pur.	"	2 00
R. A. Cameron	18	Pt. Morgan	39	24	"	8	100	2 00	"	Both	"	1 50
Winfield Scott	19	Aspen	21	21	"	57	250	11 85	Yes	Both	"	2 00
Custer	20	Laramie	39	12	"	65	"	21 00	No	Con.	"	5 00
Keno	21	Denver	50	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Mulligan	22	Springfield	20	11	"	2	20	"	Yes	Con.	"	
Jas W Anderson	23	Cripple Creek	83	58	"	21	12	20 00	"	Both	"	
W. T. Sherman	24	Evans	10	9	"	12	100	2 50	"	Con.	"	
Pfeiffer	25	Alamosa	26	12	"	9	12	3 00	No	Pur.	"	1.
Geo. H. Thomas	26	Pt. Collins	57	37	"	38	250	"	"	Con.	No	
Nathaniel Lyon	27	Boulder	96	40	"	70	100	"	"	"	Yes	1 00
Ellsworth	28	Central City	39	35	"	15	100	15 00	"	Pur.	"	
Elbert County	29	Elizabeth	43	35	"	39	"	"	Yes	Con.	No	2 00
Jim Bowles	30	Amethyst	25	10	"	5	50	5 00	No	Pur.	Yes	
A. J. Smith	31	Florence	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
McPherson	32	Longmont	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Richardson	33	Las Animas	28	22	"	17	37	5 70	No	"	No	
Kilpatrick	34	La Junta	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Major Anderson	35	Arvada	18	11	"	2	15	"	Yes	Con.	Yes	
Akron	36	Akron	5	5	"	3	6	"	"	"	"	
H. M. Stanton	37	Salida	30	30	"	40	50	1 00	No	"	"	
A. R. Burnside	38	Loveland	25	12	"	20	20	6 00	"	"	"	
Pike's Peak	39	Manitou	21	9	"	9	10	3 75	"	"	"	
M. M. Crocker	40	Denver	58	58	"	"	"	6 50	"	"	"	
Victor	41	Victor	25	14	"	18	79	2 20	"	Con.	"	
George Washington	42	Denver	41	15	"	"	"	"	"	Con.	"	
Joe Hooker	43	Monte Vista	40	35	"	9	10	"	"	"	"	
John C. Fremont	45	Littleton	25	20	"	13	175	"	"	"	"	1 00
			1579	804	37	1771	7078	\$313 80	10	37	29	\$20 00

Report of Department Counselor.

DENVER, COLO., March 20, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM—In accordance with the requirements of our Order, I submit the following report as Counselor for the year just closed:

As I anticipated at the beginning of the year, the duties of my office have been light. The Rules and Regulations of our Order are explicit, and as our members realize their duties, as well as their privilege, to possess and study the same, the opinions of Counselor are seldom required. In a few cases the President has turned to me as a friend for advice, and to the best of my knowledge it has been willingly given, and my desire has been to assist in every possible way.

At the Fifteenth Department Convention the Legislative Committee did not recommend a continuance of a like committee, but, after conferring with the chairman of the committee of the Grand Army, it was thought advisable to have such a committee, should an extra session of the Legislature be called. Accordingly the President appointed nine, of which I was made chairman. In conference with General Browning, chairman of the committee of the Grand Army, some arrangements were made should there be a session, but as none was called nothing further could be done this year. I attended two meetings of the Department Council and voted three times by letter. I installed the officers of my own Corps and have visited several other Corps, and all is in harmony and peace and the good work of our Order goes steadily on.

I wish to express my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me by the Department President, and trust the friendship of this companionship will increase as the future years go by.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department Counselor.

Report of Department Inspector.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., March 27, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary.

MADAM—In compliance with Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you and the officers and members of the Sixteenth Annual Convention the following report of duties performed and the condition of the respective Corps in this Department.

* Amount of money in relief fund.....	1,258	24
" " " expended in relief.....	1,258	94
" " relief other than money.....	1,311	62
Total relief, including money, clothing, food, etc.....	3,694	50
Amount turned over to Posts.....	272	87

Alice M. Seeds, who reports as follows:

J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne. This Corps has a membership of earnest and enthusiastic women. The interest in the work was very good. The President has manifested a very great interest in the past year, and has been rewarded by an increased membership and a large amount of money in the treasury. Good relief work done. Books in good condition. A very pleasant evening was spent by the members at the beautiful home of the President.

Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison. I found this Corps very much discouraged on account of non-attendance of members. The President was ill and unable to attend the inspection; however, the mem-

bers that were present were very anxious to receive instructions in the flag work, and expressed a desire to make an effort to build up the Order. Books well kept. A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of one of the members.

Casper W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.—This Corps is in good condition; a good attendance at inspection and work well performed; the books well kept and a large amount of relief expended. This Corps has a splendid set of officers and a good interest manifested. A reception was held at the home of Mrs. Fishback in the evening, to which the comrades were invited.

Veteran, No. 14, Denver.—This Corps is in splendid working order; the ritualistic work was beautifully performed. A fine relief work has been done the past year. The chairman of the Executive Committee, Mrs. Emma Johnson, deserves special mention for the fine report of their year's work. Books in good condition. A light repast closed the day's work, which was appreciated by the many guests present.

Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction.—One of the best Corps in the Department, as far as interest and patriotic impulses are concerned. The work was nicely performed; books well kept; finances in splendid condition; relations with the Post harmonious. During the past year, the returning Spanish-American volunteers from Manilla were received by the W. R. C., who served lunch, not only to our own boys, but the boys from Eastern states. After the inspection was finished, the comrades were admitted and a most enjoyable evening spent.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen.—This Corps has not prospered as it should, owing to dissensions among its members, caused by the unfaithfulness of one of the officers of 1898. I endeavored to clear the atmosphere as much as possible, and was pleased to note their willingness to accept advice, and endeavor to work for the future good of the Order. An enjoyable reception of Post and Corps was held in the evening at the home of Comrade Markle.

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa.—This is one of the most prosperous Corps in the Department. The past year shows a good increase in membership, and a greater interest manifested in relief work. Twenty-five dollars was voted to the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, and a willingness to do more if necessary. Ritualistic work was well done. Books in splendid condition. The entire membership with the exception of four members were present at inspection. Refreshments served and a pleasant social time enjoyed.

Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.—This is a good Corps; much interest shown. The ritualistic work was beautifully performed. Books in splendid condition. The inspection was held in the evening, and after the work was finished the comrades were admitted, refreshments served, and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

C., for the year ending August 31, 1899.

	Estimated value of Relief other than money.	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that they have been audited by the Auditing Committee quarterly?	Are copies of Regular Quarterly Relief Reports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Representative make a report of the proceedings of last Department Convention?	Amount of money turned over to Post from Sept. 1, 1898, to Sept 1, 1899.	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and books correct?	Is the work of Treasurer properly performed and books correct?
	15	16	17	18	19	20	1	2	3	4
Farr	95 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$ 10 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Upt	25 00	"	"	"	"	5 00	"	Fair	Good	Good
Sed	10 00	"	"	"	No	25 00	No	"	"	"
Coll	442 00	"	"	"	Yes	8 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
T. I	21 00	"	"	"	"	10 00	"	"	"	"
Geo	229 55	"	"	"	"	None	"	"	"	"
Jas.	70 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
J. H.	"	"	"	"	"	25 00	No	No	"	"
Not	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Gus	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"
Cas	69 50	"	"	"	Yes	None	Yes	"	"	"
Vet	37 50	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
U. S	25 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Wat	10 00	"	"	"	"	10 00	No	"	Fair	Fair
Gra	34 00	"	"	"	"	15 00	Yes	"	Yes	Yes
R. A	7 82	"	"	"	"	None	"	Fair	Yes	No
Win	5 89	"	"	"	"	"	No	No	Yes	Yes
Cus	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	"
Ren	221 70	"	"	"	"	20 00	"	"	"	"
Mul	"	"	No	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Jas.	"	Yes	"	"	"	None	"	"	"	"
W. J	2 50	"	"	"	"	"	No	Fair	"	"
Pfel	25 00	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	"
Geo	11 00	"	"	"	"	61 85	"	"	"	"
Nat	55 25	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Ells	"	"	"	"	"	5 00	"	"	"	"
Elbe	"	"	"	"	"	27 42	No	Fair	"	"
Jim	25 00	"	"	"	"	None	"	No	"	"
A. J	6 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	Fair	"	"
Mcl	20 00	"	"	"	"	25 00	Yes	Yes	"	"
Rich	"	"	"	"	"	5 00	No	No	"	"
Kilp	10 00	"	"	"	No	None	"	"	"	"
Maj	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	Fair	"	"
Akr	"	"	No	"	"	"	"	No	Fair	Fair
E. M	109 00	Yes	"	"	"	10 00	"	"	Yes	Yes
A. E	30 00	"	"	"	"	11 00	"	Fair	Fair	No
Pike	"	"	"	"	"	None	"	"	Yes	Yes
M. A	55 10	"	"	"	"	1 00	Yes	Yes	"	"
Vict	"	"	"	"	"	None	No	Fair	"	"
Geo	27 40	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	"
Joe	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	No	"	"
John	13 50	"	"	"	"	3 00	"	Yes	"	"
	34 00	42	40	42	35	\$272 87	21	22	34	33

Annual Report of the Inspector of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C., for the year ending August 31, 1899.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Number of regular meetings in the year.				Average attendance of Officers	Average attendance of Members including Officers.	Is the number of Rituals complete?	Have all Reports and dues been forwarded to Dept. Headquarters.	Does the Treasurer notify all Members in arrears as required by obligation?	Are all Members when two quarters in arrears suspended in Quarterly Reports?	Does Corps Treas. or Asst. visit delinquent members and explain our laws, as provided in Revised Ritual, page 45?	Amount charged for initiation, not including price of badge.	Amount charged for Yearly Dues.	Amount of money in General Fund.	Amount of money in the Relief Fund. If none, report none.	Amount expended for Relief from Sept. 1, 1898 to Sept. 1, 1899.	Estimated value of relief other than money.	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that all dues received by the Auditing Committee quarterly?	Are copies of Regular and Special Reports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps members comply with the requirements of the last Department Convention?	Amount of money turned over to Post from Sept. 1, 1898, to Sept. 1, 1899.	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and books correct?	Is the work of Treasurer properly performed and books correct?	
			1	2	3	4																						5
Farragut	1	Denver	38	53	7	18	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	2	00	\$ 7 05	\$ 11 22	\$ 66 00	\$ 95 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$ 10 00	Yes	Yes	Fair	Good	Good
Upton	2	Pueblo	35	33	8	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	23 03	17 75	4 75	25 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	5 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Swedrick	3	Durango	22	27	8	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	13 98	30 75	17 50	10 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	25 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado Springs	24	92	7	39	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	20	14 26	8 84	202 92	442 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	8 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
T. H. Dodd	5	Golden	18	34	5	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	20 96	20 30	11 75	21 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	10 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Geo. G. Meade	6	Denver	52	45	11	24	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	110	2	00	128 78	77 55	174 25	229 55	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Jas. A. Garfield	7	Leadville	51	59	8	17	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	200	2	00	201 26	18 65	171 20	70 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	25 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
J. F. Reynolds	8	Cheyenne	24	27	9	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	171 12	85	42 70	Yes	Yes	Yes	25 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
North Fork	9	Holchikiss	19	29	5	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	24 16	12 63	15 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Gunnison	10	Gunnison	19	29	5	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	110	2	00	42 70	4 20	47 90	69 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Casper W. Collins	11	Rawlins	24	32	7	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	2	00	97 42	60 18	107 00	37 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Veteran	12	Denver	45	60	10	25	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	2	00	37 42	60 18	107 00	37 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
W. S. Grant	13	Greeley	24	55	8	18	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	2	00	35 83	40 14	30 00	25 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	10 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Rocky Ford	14	Rocky Ford	21	29	6	12	No	Yes	Yes	Usually	Yes	1	100	1	00	3 03	20 25	12 00	10 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	15 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Grand Junction	15	Grand Junction	50	44	9	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	108 00	29 00	21 25	34 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
R. A. Cameron	16	Pt. Morgan	22	40	8	11	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	18 06	5 00	25 74	7 82	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Winfield Scott	17	Aspen	52	29	8	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	1 65	6 50	1 50	5 89	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Custer	18	Laramie	21	41	10	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	166 49	37 40	10 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	20 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Ken	19	Denver	48	10	25	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	200	2	00	57 45	28 60	75 13	221 70	Yes	Yes	Yes	20 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Mullan	20	Springfield	17	20	6	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	6 72	5 04	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Ja. W. Anderson	21	Cripple Creek	43	94	10	23	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	20	113 97	9 92	51 70	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
W. T. Sherman	22	Evans	24	10	6	6	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	6 50	8 60	2 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Pilot	23	Alamosa	24	25	11	11	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	40	63 34	36 29	28 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Geo. H. Thomas	24	Pt. Collins	24	63	10	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	46 34	414 69	32 25	11 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	61 85	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Nathaniel Lyon	25	Boulder	24	68	10	23	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	29 32	58 44	47 52	85 25	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Ellsworth	26	Central City	26	43	10	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	72 19	11 05	19 95	Yes	Yes	Yes	5 (a)	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Elbert County	27	Elizabeth	24	12	5	14	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	110	1	00	23 25	7 00	3 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	27 42	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Jim Bowie	28	Amethyst	24	24	7	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	12 07	43	53 60	25 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
A. J. Smith	29	Florence	26	23	6	8	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	40 80	5 00	12 00	6 75	Yes	Yes	Yes	25 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
McCluskey	30	Logmont	16	27	9	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	40	103 89	19 96	25 00	20 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	5 (a)	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Richardson	31	Las Animas	16	27	9	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	40 31	3 00	24 45	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Kilpatrick	32	La Junta	14	20	5	7	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	20	5 50	3 75	4 50	10 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Niger Anderson	33	Arvada	24	20	6	6	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	55	3 53	4 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
Akron	34	Akron	8	4	5	8	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	3 11	3 75	4 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
E. M. Stanton	35	Salida	24	20	8	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	1 60	8 55	22 70	100 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	10 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
A. E. Jursade	36	Loveland	24	17	5	14	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	6 95	2 43	1 30	10 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Pike's Peak	37	Manitou	22	24	7	8	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	18 22	9 75	3 25	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 61	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good	
M. M. Crucker	38	Denver	45	60	12	27	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	2	00	82 05	27 55	117 00	175 14	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Victor	39	Victor	20	28	4	10	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	29 20	1 60	25 08	4 25	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
George Washington	40	Denver	49	46	10	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	13 80	14 19	25 08	4 25	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
Joe Hooker	41	Monte Vista	11	35	7	15	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	3 58	90	27 00	13 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
John C. Fremont	42	Littleton	19	25	6	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	1	100	1	00	70	11 29	8 00	12 50	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	Yes	Fair	Good	Good	Good
			1128	1377	317	567	41	43	43	35	39	1 02	1 25	\$1232 35	\$1056 24	\$1780 04	\$1814 12	42	40	42	35	\$272 87	21	22	34	33		

E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida.—This Corps has a number of good, earnest workers, who are faithful to the objects of the Order, but are somewhat discouraged by the lack of interest in some of the members in not attending the meetings. Those that were present seemed to be encouraged and will endeavor to revive the interest. Books well kept. In the evening the Post and Corps attended a reception at the home of the President.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amethyst.—On account of sickness and death among the members, the attendance at inspection was small. Those in attendance were a band of earnest, loyal women, and anxious to be instructed in the flag work, as they had been greatly discouraged by their misfortune of losing their funds in a bank failure, but the generous assistance of the Corps in the Department has encouraged them to renew the work. Six applications for membership were pending, and we predict for them a bright future. Books of the Secretary and Treasurer well kept.

Geo. Washington, No. 42, Denver.—This Corps has made wonderful progress in the past year, making a gain of twenty-seven members. The flag work was performed beautifully, the four young lady color bearers adding grace to the floor work. A great interest in the Order was manifested by all the members. Books in fine condition. After inspection lunch was served and a social hour was enjoyed by all.

Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista.—On account of non-attendance and lack of interest of the members, I found this Corps greatly discouraged, and on the verge of disbanding; I encouraged them the best I could, and believe a new interest will be revived and their former good standing maintained in the Department. Books well kept. I spent the evening with the comrades at the Soldiers' Home and found them comfortable and well cared for. The matron, Mrs. Col. Shaw, is very pleasant and agreeable, showing me many courtesies while their guest.

The following Corps were inspected by the Department Senior Vice President, Sara B. C. Stephenson:

R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Ft. Morgan.—We met at inspection twenty active and interested members of the Corps. The work of the ritual was memorized and well executed. Books fairly kept, showing the need of more effectual instruction. In the evening a reception of Post and Corps was held at the home of the President, and a pleasant time enjoyed by all.

W. T. Sherman, No 24, Evans.—This Corps has but ten members in all; however, the eight members present seemed earnest and active, and reported two applications for membership at their last meeting, and seemed greatly encouraged. They have done quite a good deal of relief work, and remembered both of the Soldiers'

Homes by contributions Christmas and Thanksgiving. Books in good condition. An excellent lunch was served.

A. E. Burnside, No. 38, Loveland.—This Corps numbers only seventeen members, ten of whom were present at inspection, and they were full of zeal and energy for the good of the Order. Owing to their small attendance, the flag work has not been put on the floor. Good relief work done; their books not well kept. The Corps needs considerable encouragement, which I endeavored to give.

Akron, No. 36, Akron. We met at the home of the President with but three members. The work was discussed and diagrams explained. This Corps numbers only five members and they have held but four regular meetings in the past year, but they keep up their dues and per capita tax, and hold themselves in readiness for any emergencies that may arise.

McPherson, No. 32, Longmont.—This Corps is in a flourishing condition, thirty members being present, and notwithstanding several of the officers' chairs had to be supplied from the floor, the exemplification of the ritual was good. Books of Secretary and Treasurer show competent officers in these positions. The majority of the members take active part in all the work of the Corps.

U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley.—This is a prosperous Corps, with a large membership, and the work of the ritual was well done. The Corps has proven itself to be the right hand of U. S. Grant Post, and ever ready to assist the helpless and needy ones. Books well kept. We were royally entertained, and will ever remember our visit with great pleasure.

The following Corps were inspected by the Department Junior Vice President, Sadie M. Fisher:

Farragut, No. 1, Denver.—This being the first Corps in the Department, much is expected of them. The officers of the Corps are all bright and active and show great interest in the work. The floor work was well exemplified, and books in splendid condition. From the report of relief committee this Corps does its full share in caring for the needy ones.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden. A very small attendance present, but the members seem to understand the work thoroughly. The material in the Corps is of the best, and we hope for a revival of interest among the members. Books well kept.

Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada.—This is a brave little band of willing workers, meeting at the homes of the members; only six in number present at inspection. The Treasurer having the care of an invalid mother, and living several miles in the country, was unable to be present or to send the books. Post and Corps in perfect harmony. There is not much relief work to be done, but they hold themselves

in readiness to answer any call that may come to them. Too much praise cannot be given to this loyal, patriotic Corps for striving in their small way to assist the old veterans.

John C. Fremont, No. 15, Littleton. This is a good Corps, and has a fine set of officers. Although the attendance was small, the floor work was creditably performed. Books of Secretary and Treasurer neatly kept.

M. M. Crocker, No. 10, Denver. The Crocker Corps is too well known for the Inspector to attempt a report. Having so beautifully performed their work at convention it was not necessary for the work to be gone over, but this being a regular meeting, and having a candidate, the work was performed with great care. This Corps does a large amount of relief work. The books well kept.

The following Corps were inspected by the Department Secretary, Stella A. Kyle:

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs. This is a splendid Corps, composed of earnest, enthusiastic members. The floor work was nicely performed. Colorado Springs being a health resort for invalids, a vast amount is expended for relief. Refreshments served, and all had a pleasant time.

Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford.—Owing to a severe storm, beginning at noon and continuing all night, there was a small attendance, not enough members being present to perform the work. The storm also interfered with the campfire in the evening. They were preparing to give a dinner on election day, for the benefit of the Post, thus showing their loyalty to them. Books fairly kept.

Kilpatrick, No. 34, La Junta.—No meeting, only three members being present, but they were anxious to retain their charter, thinking they would revive in interest. Books in fine condition. I hope for a brighter future for this Corps.

Pike's Peak, No. 39, Manitou. This is a small Corps, composed of earnest members, who work to a great disadvantage. Owing to so few officers being present, the conductors, guard and assistant guard took the part of color-bearers also, and the ritualistic work was creditably performed. Books in splendid condition. Lunch was served, and an enjoyable afternoon spent.

The following Corps were inspected by the Department Inspector:

Upton, No. 2, Pueblo. This Corps is composed of a band of zealous women. Just enough members were present to fill the officer's chairs, but found them enthusiastic and earnest in their endeavors to do the very best for the good of the Order and anxious to receive advice and instruction. The work was performed in a creditable manner, considering the unavoidable absence of several of the officers. Arrangements were being made to introduce the Columbia

flag drill at an entertainment to be held in the near future. Owing to serious illness of both Secretary and Treasurer, books were not in very good condition.

George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver.—A splendid Corps, having a large membership and well-officered, performing the ritualistic and flag work in a most impressive manner. This Corps is among the first in amount of relief expended. Books in excellent condition. Meade, No. 6, will always be remembered as one of the bright Corps in the Department.

Reno, No. 21, Denver.—This is a large and well-established Corps, doing a fine relief work. The ritualistic work was not performed as well as I am sure this Corps can do. Books in excellent condition.

James W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek.—This Corps has the largest membership in the Department, and a good attendance present at inspection. Great interest was manifested in the correct performance of the ritualistic work, every feature being well performed except balloting, which was not perfect, mostly due to the new members. Otherwise, the Inspector was unable to criticise, but only to add compliments. Books in excellent condition. Fine relief work done. After inspection, the comrades were admitted and lunch served to all present, including a number from Victor Corps.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder.—This corps is so well known throughout the Department for its good work accomplished that I can add nothing to its past record. The work was performed beautifully, the balloting being simply perfect; however, they lacked in understanding some of the latest revisions. A large amount of relief has been expended; books in excellent condition. In the evening I was treated to an old-fashioned surprise party at the home of my friend and a delightful time was spent; many pleasant recollections of acquaintances made among its members were carried away by the Inspector.

Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City. Although situated on top of the mountains, seemingly touching the clouds, I found a large Corps of bright, intelligent women, doing all that is possible to keep up the interests of the Order; work was performed creditably, the conductors and color-bearers deserving special mention. As there are few old soldiers in the town, little relief work is required of them. Books in excellent shape. Delicious refreshments were served, and the Inspector will not soon forget this prosperous Corps.

Elbert County, No. 29, Elbert County.—The unassuming, patriotic devotion to the Order by the members of this Corps made a lasting impression upon the Inspector, who will recall many pleasant remembrances of her visit. The members are to be commended for their earnestness, as many of them travel over an area of twenty-five miles to attend the meetings, which are held monthly, alternately in

the three towns, Elbert, Elizabeth and Kiowa. They gather together, Post and Corps, as one family, participating in a good substantial dinner, after which the business session is held. Instruction in the flag work was given and a pleasant and profitable time spent.

A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence.—Inspection being held on election day, the attendance was small. The objects of the Order are well maintained; a call from a wounded Spanish-American soldier for assistance to reach friends met with a ready response. The flag work has not been put on the floor yet. The President, Mrs. Ella Wayne, deserves special praise for her faithfulness in holding the members together. Books in good condition.

Victor, No. 41, Victor.—Although a new Corps, many old workers are enrolled in their membership. The recent fire which visited their city affected a great many of their members, who lost their all, most naturally causing great discouragement. The Corps and Post were fortunate to save their hall and furnishings; the members are anxious to build up a prosperous Corps, and we bespeak for them a bright future. Books in good condition. Lunch was served and a pleasant time enjoyed. Through the kindness of the members, the Inspector was enabled to rest sumptuously in a Pullman sleeper during her travels that night, causing sweet dreams of Victor, No. 41.

George H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins. The inspection of this Corps was assigned to Junior Vice President Sadie M. Fisher, but she being suddenly called home by telegram before reviewing the work, Sara B. C. Stephenson was appointed to finish the inspection, who made the following report: Corps in a flourishing condition; fourteen were added to the membership during the year; thirty-one present at inspection, and a great interest manifested in the Order. Ritualistic work well performed. Books and finances in splendid condition.

Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango.—The inspection of this Corps was conducted by the President, who reports a membership of twenty-seven. A very commendable relief work done, also \$25 given to the Post the past year.

Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield. Corps inspected by the President, who reports a small attendance at meetings, and work of the Order maintained as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss.—No inspection.

Three new Corps have been organized since September 1.

The Department President on her inspection trip made an official visit to Myron W. Reed, No. 7, Rifle. I found a band of earnest women, devoted to the principles of the Order, who were anxious for instruction. When organized, on account of a train wreck, Mrs. Fallis was detained from reaching them until a late hour, hence no time for necessary instructions; therefore I placed the flag

work on the floor for the first time and spent a very pleasant and profitable afternoon with them.

Owing to a disappointment in receiving transportation, in order to save expenses a few of the Corps assigned me were inspected by the Department President.

For the convenience of future Inspectors, I appeal to the various Corps of this Department to comply cheerfully with the request for special meetings for inspection, as it is impossible for Inspectors to meet with all on regular meeting days. Corps are expected to comply with the convenience of the Inspector in making appointments. And further, when performing the work for inspection, do so with soberness and dignity befitting our Order, for when the work is gone through in a careless or hilarious manner it becomes very tiresome to the Inspector, and causes her to feel that her work is useless. I have been asked the question, "What is the use of inspection"? In my opinion, the greatest good derived from inspection is to small Corps; in many instances small Corps are not very well versed in the work, and they look forward to the coming of the Inspector as an instructor, as well as to inspect the work. In many cases, where Corps were on the verge of disbanding, a visit from the Inspector, or an assistant gives them new courage.

Then, too, the principles of fraternity cannot be carried out more effectually than through the Inspector, changing every year as we do, and visiting the various Corps we become better acquainted. It also has a tendency to improve the work, for no doubt Corps would become careless in the work if it were not for the anticipated visit of the Inspector.

In compliance with the duties of the office of Inspector, I have tried to do my whole duty conscientiously and fearlessly in making criticisms and suggestions, and I only hope my efforts will meet with your unanimous approval.

I wish to tender my sincere thanks to the Assistant Inspectors for their services and promptness. To my superior officers, I have only words of commendation for their many courtesies and kindnesses shown me.

My very best thanks are extended to you, Mrs. President, for your patience and forbearance in my many deficiencies and for the always kind and courageous advice given me. It has been my ambition to perform my work faithfully, that it might meet with your approval and the satisfaction of the Department.

Most respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

IRENE DETOLIVER,
Department Inspector.

Report of Department I. and I. Officer.

DENVER, COLO., March 19, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM—I respectfully submit my report as Department Instituting and Installing Officer, with consolidated reports from Assistant Instituting and Installing Officers for the years 1899 and 1900:

Farragut, No. 1, Denver, January 6. President, Mildred McKinsey. Installing Officer, Catherine C. Kennedy. Installation public and joint with Post.

Upton, No. 2, Pueblo, January 4. President, Julia R. Upson. Installing Officer, Department President Alice M. Seeds. Public, joint with Post; refreshments served.

Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango, January 24. President, Anna M. Hammond. Installing Officer, Lizzie Hansen. Installation private.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs, January 2. President, Jennie Dunnington. Installing Officer, Ellen B. Holbrook. Public, joint with Post.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden, January 11. President, Mrs. Anna Luman. Installing Officer, Charlotte Coc. Joint with Post; refreshments served.

George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver, January 8. President, Sarah J. Kimmins. Installing Officer, Stella Newman. Public installation, joint with Post. The work well executed, especially that of the comrades.

James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville, January 4. President, Hattie E. Bunn. Installing Officer, Susie J. Searl. Joint with Post.

J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., January 5. President, Louisa O. Artist. Installing Officer, Sadie M. Fisher. Joint with Post and public.

North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss, January 6. President, Alice Galiber. Installing Officer, Mary A. Miller. Installation private.

Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison, January 9. President, Alma Wagner. Installing Officer, Jessie Sharp Purrier. Installation private.

Casper W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., January 26. President, Mary Jennings. Installing Officer, Anna D. Fishback. Installation private.

Veteran, No. 14, Denver, January 4. President, Susie Waters. Installing Officer, Henry W. Todd. Joint installation with Post.

U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley, January 13. President, Clementine S. Hawes. Installing Officer, Sarah A. Hogarty. Joint with Post.

Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction, January 3. President, Sarah Oldham. Installing Officer, Adelia Dittman. Joint with Post.

R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan, January 2. President, Estelle C. Robinson. Installing Officer, Matilda J. Hotchkiss. Joint with Post.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen, January 9. President, Mary Nevins. Installing Officer, Lizzie McDonald. Public with Post.

Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo. Installing Officer, Maria Baillie. Public, joint with Post. Music, refreshments and good time generally made it an occasion long to be remembered.

Reno, No. 21, Denver, January 13. President, Mary Mayo. Installing Officer, Stella Newman. Installation public and joint with Post. A large attendance. The ladies did their work beautifully.

Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield, January 13. President, Mary E. Robertson. Installing Officer, Mary E. Cole. Installation private.

James W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, January 6. President, Mattie J. McDonald. Installing Officer, Department President Alice M. Seeds. Installation public and joint with Post. Work well done.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans, January 17. Joint installation of Post and Corps.

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa. President, Amelia Gertelson. Installing Officer, Adeline Miller. Installation private.

George H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins, January 13. President, Hannah King. Installing Officer, Ida E. Seckner. Joint installation with Post.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder, January 6. President, Sarah A. Rosier. Installing Officer, Mary E. Ullmer. Public, joint with Post.

Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City, January 18. President, Ida M. Johnson. Installing Officer, Elizabeth Y. Quigley. Public.

Elbert, No. 29, Elizabeth, February 10. President, Sarah Lundy. Installing Officer, Fannie D. Hardin. Installation private.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amethyst, January 4. President, Cornelia Lahr. Installing Officer, Cornelia Lahr. Installation public.

A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence, January 5. President, Anna Hurst. Installing Officer, Mary A. Eakin. Installation private.

McPherson, No. 32, Longmont, January 2. President, Belle Abbott. Installing Officer, Emily J. Beckwith. Joint with Post.

Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada, February 3. President, Emma J. Mellette. Installing Officer, Clara W. Greene. Installation private.

Edwin M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida, January 16. President, Anna J. Ten Broeck. Installing Officer, Delia F. Buell. Installation joint with the Sons of Veterans, who enjoyed the exercises. The flag work was used for the first time for installation, and all thought it beautiful; had good music and served refreshments.

A. E. Burnside, No. 38, Loveland, January 5. President, Mary L. Thorndyke. Installing Officer, Ella Wilson. Installation public with Post.

Pike's Peak, No. 39, Manitou, January 17. President, Malania Lowther. Installing Officer, Alice Barney. Installation private.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver, January 6. President, Eliza F. LeFever. Installing Officer, Lucy M. Campbell. Public and joint with Post.

Victor, No. 41, Victor, January 11. President, Mrs. Grace Kirk. Installing Officer, Department President Alice M. Seeds. Installation public, joint with Post.

George Washington, No. 42, Denver, January 1. President, May E. Domm. Installing Officer, Fannie D. Hardin. Installation public, joint with Post; excellent program rendered.

Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista, January 2. President, Alice B. Cheney. Installing Officer, C. S. Aldrich. Installation joint with Post.

John C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton, January 3. President, Jennie Misner. Installing Officer, Jennie McGill. Installation public and joint with Post.

There have been three Corps organized in the Department during this administration that have been reported to me.

Myron W. Reed, No. 7, of Rifle, Colo., was instituted September 7, 1899, with fifteen charter members. Nettie Marker, President; Instituting and Installing Officer, Ida M. Fallis.

Byron L. Carr, Fondis, Colo., March 7, 1900, with twenty-three charter members. President, Louise J. Parkhurst; Instituting and Installing Officer, Sarah Lundy.

Phil Sheridan, No. 44, Buena Vista, Colo., was instituted March 6, 1900, with twenty-one charter members. President, Mary Warner; Instituting and Installing Officer, Delia F. Buell.

In conclusion, Mrs. President, I wish to extend my thanks to you for the honor conferred by appointing me on your staff, and for advice, always so cheerfully given; to the Corps of Denver for the cordial manner with which I have been received whenever I have met with them; to Reno Corps for the courtesy shown me; George G. Meade, my own Corps—their kindness will never be forgotten.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

STELLA NEWMAN,
Department Instituting and Installing Officer.

Mrs. Ida M. Fallis, Department Patriotic Instructor, being absent, her report was read by Miss Edna Hamilton and referred to committee.

Report of Department Patriotic Instructor.

OFFICE OF PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,
GRAND JUNCTION, COLO., March 11, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary.

MADAM—I have delayed my report as long as possible, that I might hear from more of the Corps, but cannot wait longer. I take pleasure in submitting the following:

The President kindly offered to distribute the report blanks with General Orders, thereby saving extra postage. Many Corps have failed to respond, thus making this report very incomplete:

Number of Corps.....	44
Number of Corps reporting.	21
Number of schools that hoist the flag during school hours.....	72
Number of schools teaching patriotism.....	116
Number of school rooms having a flag.....	300
Number of school rooms giving flag salute.....	258
Number of children in schools giving flag salute.....	18,610
Number of school rooms displaying the Declaration of Independence Chart.....	130
Number of towns or cities observing Citizens' Sunday.....	10
Number of towns or cities observing National holidays.....	21
Number of towns or cities holding "Patriotic Contests".....	5

Following is a brief report of Committees on Patriotic Teaching in this Department:

Farragut, No. 1, and Washington, No. 42, Denver, send a combined report of Patriotic work done in districts 2 and 7; report 18 school-houses hoisting the flag during school hours; 100 school rooms having flags, and 7,000 children giving the salute to the flag; no Declaration of Independence charts displayed; report the teachers interested in teaching Patriotism, and suggest that the parents visit schools more often, and on all occasions when patriotic exercises are given.

Upton, No. 2, Pueblo, Colo., report 15 school buildings upon which the flag is hoisted during school hours; Patriotism is taught, National holidays observed, Citizens' Sunday and Patriotic contests held and histories satisfactory.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, reports no flags hoisted on school buildings during school hours; Patriotism taught in the eleven schools; all school rooms have flags, also all colleges in city; the salute to the flag given in every school room, the number giving salute 3,040; Declaration of Independence chart in rooms of all the higher grades; Patriotic contests given; the histories in use satisfactory; suggests that teachers of all schools and colleges be instructed to teach the children to salute every man wearing the G. A. R. badge or little bronze button, and those known to be old soldiers; that it be a part of the work of every Corps Patriotic Instructor to instruct teachers

in the Corps flag salute, they to instruct the scholars; advise Posts and auxiliary Corps to have literary contests, at which prizes are given.

Also that flag drills, such as Columbian flag drill, etc., be introduced in our Corps, and all members expected to take part, with the object of teaching us to march better, keep better lines, and be more graceful in our floor work. This was a most complete report, and if space permitted would like to give it in full.

George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver, and Veteran, No. 14, Denver make a combined report of East Denver District, No. 1, comprising the following schools: Whittier, Maria Mitchell, Hyde Park, Iron-ton, Swansea and Elyria. Number of scholars, 3,566; flags hoisted during school hours; Patriotism taught in all schools; all school rooms do not have flags; the flag salute not given regularly in any of the schools; Declaration of Independence chart in most of the schools; National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed; histories in use satisfactory, and all lines of patriotic work well done.

Myron W. Reed, No. 7, Rifle, Colo., reports flag hoisted during school hours and Patriotism taught, National holidays observed and histories meet with committee's approval.

James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville, Colo., reports flag not hoisted during school hours; Patriotism taught in all the thirty-nine schools; flag salute given by nearly all scholars; no Declaration of Independence charts displayed; National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed; histories do not meet with committee's approval.

J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., reports flags hoisted over school buildings during school hours; Patriotism taught in all; 31 school rooms have flags and Independence charts, and all the scholars, 1,220, give salute to flag; all National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed and Patriotic contests held; histories in use satisfactory; suggest that parents encourage patriotism, and have pupils read and speak patriotic selections in schools.

Casper W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., reports flag hoisted on school buildings on National holidays; all school rooms have flags; Patriotism taught and flag salute given in one room of 30 pupils; no Declaration of Independence chart displayed; National holidays observed.

U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley, Colo., reports flags hoisted over school buildings during school hours; Patriotism taught in 14 schools, and 4 rooms have flags; the salute to flag not given; no Independence chart; National holidays observed; Patriotic contests held and histories satisfactory; report teachers in schools very patriotic.

Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction, Colo., reports flags hoisted during school hours over the two school buildings; Patriotism taught in all; eight school rooms have flags; flag salute given by 400 children of eight rooms; no Independence chart displayed, but will soon

have them; National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed; histories not very satisfactory.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen, Colo., reports flags not hoisted over school buildings during school hours; Patriotism taught in all school rooms; one room has a flag; the salute to flag not given; Declaration of Independence chart in three rooms; National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed; histories meet with committee's approval. This Corps is endeavoring to interest the superintendent and school board in Patriotic instruction.

Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., reports two public schools upon which the flag is hoisted during school hours; Patriotism is taught; 15 school rooms have flags; the salute to flag in 15 rooms; Declaration of Independence chart in one room; National holidays observed; histories in use do not meet with approval of committee.

Reno, No. 21, Denver. Received a report for part of Eastern district of Denver, Assistant Patriotic Instructor Maggie Johnson, but the Corps for which report was made was not named, and do not know whether it was for Reno or M. M. Crocker or combined report of both. Report flags hoisted; Patriotism taught; no flags or charts in school rooms; National holidays observed; salute given on special occasions.

J. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, Colo., sends splendid reports of continuous work on patriotic lines throughout the year. This Corps entertained their friends and citizens with patriotic exercises in commemoration of the admission of the State of Colorado into the Union, also the anniversary of the organization of the Woman's Relief Corps at Cripple Creek, and presented the High School with chart of Declaration of Independence, nicely framed; also a flag raising July 1, with appropriate exercises, to which the public was invited, and further reports splendid exercises in all the schools on Lincoln's birthday, and the teachers are given much praise for their efforts in teaching patriotism. Flags are raised over all schools during school hours, nearly all rooms having flags; salute to flag given in most rooms; Declaration of Independence chart in High School; National holidays observed; histories meet with approval of committee.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans, Colo., reports 4 schools upon which the flag is hoisted during school hours; Patriotism taught in all; 9 school rooms have flags; 2 rooms in which the flag salute is given; number of children giving salute, 50; National holidays observed; histories in use meet with committee's approval; suggests that Corps purchase books of patriotic songs and present to the schools.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder, reports 5 school buildings upon which the flag is hoisted during school hours; Patriotism taught in all; 40 school rooms have flags; the flag salute is given in 40 rooms,

2,200 children taking part; Declaration of Independence chart displayed in every room; National holidays observed, also Citizens' Sunday; histories satisfactory; all lines of patriotic work thoroughly done.

Jim Bowie, No. 39, Amethyst, Colo., reports interest in teaching patriotism; the Corps was presented with a flag by one of Amethyst's leading citizens, the Corps in turn presenting the flag to the school on Washington's birthday, with appropriate exercises; Patriotism taught; the flag salute introduced, 250 children giving the salute; Declaration of Independence chart will be placed in schools at once; National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed; Patriotic contests held and the histories in use meet with the committee's approval, suggests that school boards employ teachers who will not think it too much trouble to teach patriotism.

A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence, Colo., reports 3 school buildings upon which the flag is hoisted during school hours; 4 in which Patriotism is taught; 18 school rooms have flags; 12 in which flag salute is given, 850 children giving the salute to the flag; National holidays observed; Citizens' Sunday is not; Patriotic contests not held; histories in use meet with committee's approval.

John C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton, Colo., reports two school buildings upon which flag is hoisted during school hours; Patriotism is taught; 6 rooms have flags, and 200 children give salute; no Independence chart in schools; National holidays and Citizens' Sunday observed; histories meet with committee's approval.

The following recommendations were submitted by the Patriotic Committee of Denver Corps:

We, the Patriotic Committees of the several Woman's Relief Corps of Denver, were called together in the interest of patriotic work in our schools; and,

WHEREAS, We are anxious to consider the best manner in which to advance the work, and present a more complete report, therefore, we most respectfully submit the following:

Recommendation No. 1 That Corps Presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

Recommendation No. 2 That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in the schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from Grand Army Posts and Woman's Relief Corps.

We most earnestly submit these recommendations in F., C. and L.
PATRIOTIC COMMITTEES.

Corps Nos. 3, 5, 11, 12, 16, 18, 22, 25, 26, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41 and 43 send no reports.

To the President I extend my thanks for the honor conferred and kind assistance lent me in this work, and while lacking in experience I have endeavored to do my duty to the best of my ability.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

IDA M. FALLIS,
Patriotic Instructor.

The Department President announced that the election of officers would be the order of business at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that George G. Meade Corps, No. 6, of Denver, would exemplify the ritual at 1:30 Thursday afternoon.

Moved by Alice T. Smith, seconded by several, that we adjourn until 9 a. m. Thursday. Motion carried.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, March 22, 1900.

Convention called to order by the Department President at 9 a. m.

The Convention stood and repeated the Lord's Prayer, led by Past Department President Ella L. C. Dwinell.

Conductors took the password, and reported all present had the proper password of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The Secretary called the roll of officers, and the Department President declared the session open for whatever business might properly come before it.

The Credential Committee reported 167 voting delegates.

Minutes of first day's sessions were read and approved.

The President announced the following committees:

To convey greetings to the Grand Army Encampment—All the Past Department Presidents and Irene DeToliver, Ida Critchell, Alice T. Smith, with Lucy M. Campbell as chairman.

To the Sons of Veterans—Sara B. C. Stephenson, Emma D. Adams and Stella Newman.

To Ladies' Aid Society—Susie Carr McGuire, Edna Hamilton and Raynie Hobart.

To Ladies of the G. A. R.—Adelia McCauley, Eliza LeFever and Margaret Fritz.

Senior Aide Ida Critchell read her report, which was referred to the committee.

Report of Senior Aide.

DENVER, COLO., March 20, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary.

MADAM—In accordance with Rules and Regulations, I hereby submit the following report:

But twenty-two of the Corps in the Department of Colorado and Wyoming have reported, three only sending in more than report of one quarter, therefore this report is necessarily incomplete.

Farragut, No. 1, Denver, Colo., reports fifty members in good standing, four new members, two honorably discharged. Financially in good condition. Corps and Post working harmoniously. Much relief work done.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colo., reports ninety seven members in good standing, several applications pending. No delinquents. Large amount of relief work done.

Geo. G. Meade, No. 6, Denver, reports seventy-six members in good standing; many applications pending; five suspended. Much relief work done. Post and Corps work harmoniously. Financially able to meet all calls for relief.

J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo. Much good work has been accomplished; many delinquents restored to full membership. Weekly socials held at houses of members during the year, thus realizing quite a sum of money. Post and Corps work in harmony and are at this time engaged in arranging for a dance.

Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison, Colo., reports attendance small on account of so many new lodges having been organized. Have done much relief work; financially in good condition. Post not very much interested in their work, a source of discouragement to the Corps.

Caspar W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., reports Corps in flourishing condition. Relief work splendid. No delinquents. Relations between Post and Corps could not be improved upon.

Veteran, No. 14, Denver, reports some delinquents; a number of new members; Corps is financially strong. Post and Corps work together very harmoniously.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen, reports thirty members in good standing; Post and Corps work harmoniously, all having the best interests of the Order at heart. Ready at all times to respond to calls for relief.

Reno, No. 21, Denver, reports fifty-three members in good standing; Post and Corps working in harmony. Much relief work done. They are patriotic in their work, having this year presented a flag to a mountain school district.

J. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, Colo., reports a membership of 104, and Corps in a flourishing condition financially. Members working for the good of the Order.

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa, reports no delinquents; Corps and Post like one family, ever ready to assist in relief work. Presented to public school two pictures, Grant and Lincoln, and a copy of the Declaration of Independence.

George H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins, reports a membership of sixty-one in good standing, with only two delinquents. Lost two by transfer, one by honorable discharge. All members working for good of the Order. Large amount of money expended for relief, with funds to meet all demands. Post and Corps working harmoniously together.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder, reports ninety-three members in good standing. Seventeen delinquents have returned to the fold, seven suspended members reinstated. Relations between Post and Corps could not be better. Much relief work done.

Elbert County, No. 29, Kiowa, reports some delinquents. Corps working for the good of the Order.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amethyst, reports seventeen members in good standing. Three dropped, four new members. Bank paid 15 cents on the dollar for the money lost some time ago. Post and Corps working in harmony.

McPherson, No. 32, Longmont, reports fifty members in good standing, one reinstated. Post and Corps work in harmony. Treasury with money and able to help the needy.

Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada, reports a small membership, no delinquents. Not much relief work to be done in that section. Post and Corps harmonious.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver, sixty-three members in good standing, one transferred, two delinquents, one honorably discharged. General work of Corps good. Post and Corps work together harmoniously. Much relief work done.

George Washington, No. 42, Denver, forty-four members in good standing, twenty-four new members, three delinquents. Excellent relief work done. Post and Corps work together harmoniously.

J. C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton, reports Corps in a prosperous condition for a small Corps. Two new members. Post and Corps work in perfect harmony. Not much relief work to do, but are ever ready.

No reports have been received from the Aides of Corps Nos. 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 28, 31, 34, 37, 39, 41 and 43.

These, Mrs. President, are all the reports I have received, and I would recommend that small blanks be furnished the Department Aides upon which to make their reports, thus greatly facilitating the work of the Senior Aide in compiling her report for Convention.

The work of this office has been made a pleasure through cour-

tesies extended by the Aides throughout the Department, and to them I extend my hearty thanks.

And now, Mrs. President, accept my thanks for your uniform courtesy to me during my term as Senior Aide.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

IDA CRITCHFIELD,
Chief of Staff and Senior Aide.

The report of the Delegate at Large, Past Department Secretary Emily R. Cohen, now a resident of Philadelphia, was read by Fannie D. W. Hardin and referred to committee.

Report of Delegate at Large.

PHILADELPHIA, March 13, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary Colorado and Wyoming.

MADAM—I have the honor to submit, through you, to the Sixteenth Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming a brief report of the proceedings of the Seventeenth National Convention, held in Philadelphia on September 6 and 7, 1899. Being a resident of that city, it was my privilege to be present at the meetings, and, owing to the absence of the duly elected Delegate at Large, I was appointed in her place.

The Convention opened in the audience room at Witherspoon Building at 10 o'clock on the morning of September 6, National President Flo Jamison Miller in the chair.

The platform was crowded with the National officers from all parts of the country, and the large hall was filled, both down stairs and in the gallery. Among others present on the platform was Clara Barton, one of the two honorary members of the Woman's Relief Corps. Being called upon for a speech, Miss Barton fittingly expressed her gratification at being present.

After introducing her staff officers the National President read her address, which was listened to with great interest.

The report of work done in the past year would seem to indicate that good, practical common sense had characterized the administration, as well as a deep sympathy with the cause in which we are all enlisted.

Two impressive recommendations in the report were: "The Woman's Relief Corps is the only auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, and desire at all times to be of assistance. To show our appreciation of the kindness and loyalty of the Grand Army, I would suggest that we tender them a contribution towards their general

fund." Recommendation: "A committee of three shall be appointed to urge the adoption of a bill by Congress making the wives, mothers and daughters of soldiers, living in the various Soldiers' Homes, eligible to the same assistance as the soldiers in the State Homes."

The report closed with a beautiful, touching memorial to the late James A. Sexton, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army.

After the report had been referred to the proper committee, it was moved and seconded that the Convention signify by rising vote their appreciation of its beauty and the splendid work that had been done.

After this Mrs. Winans, in an appropriate speech, as a testimonial from the National officers and Aides, presented the President with a recognition pin of the Order, made of pure gold, the letters "W. R. C." in the national colors, surrounded by a laurel wreath, in the center of which was a diamond solitaire. At the same time she was presented with a solitaire diamond ring.

The report of the National Secretary showed a membership of 115,426.

The financial report of the W. R. C. showed a total cash balance in all funds on hand July 1, 1899, of \$18,910.96, an increase over the previous year of more than \$4,000.

The reports of the officers having been referred to the several committees, Major Mink was announced. After being presented to the Convention he made a short address, alluding to his love for the W. R. C., especially for the sake of his wife, who had so many years been an active worker in our Order. He said there is but one thing that could be added to you that would make our Republic better, and that is to give the American women the ballot and let them stand side by side with men, equal in all things and worthy of our country.

Shortly after this it was moved and seconded that the Convention adjourn for lunch, to reconvene at 1:30 p. m.

The luncheon prepared for us by the committee in charge was indeed a generous one, giving evidence of the hospitality of the Philadelphia women. And here may I say, without being thought egotistical because it is my birthplace, that Philadelphia did indeed give a royal welcome to the G. A. R. Everything that could be thought of was done to show the honor in which were held the veterans of the war. Broad street, one of the largest avenues in the world, through which marched our comrades, was most magnificently decorated, and the "Avenue of Fame" will long be remembered by the thousands who saw it by day and brilliantly illuminated by night.

After luncheon Convention was called to order, guards closed the doors, and none were admitted without the password, and nominations for National President were declared in order. Although there were several candidates, the result of the election is now well known, Mrs. Bodge getting the majority of votes, 209. The election of the Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, as well as that of Treasurer and Chaplain, were all unanimous.

During the afternoon General Black was announced, who had come to conduct memorial services in honor of Commander-in-Chief Sexton. These being over, the Convention was declared closed.

On Thursday, Convention was called to order at 9:30 a. m., and after prayer the election of the Executive Board was concluded; the members of the Board are as follows: Charlotte J. Cummings, Minnie D. Morgan, Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Ball. The afternoon session was somewhat taken up with the election of the Home Board, and Flo Jamison Miller was elected by 180 votes.

I was impressed by a suggestion of Mrs. Turner, in regard to the auditing of the books; it was to the effect that, though every Department and Corps has its Auditing Committee, that not one out of every twenty understands auditing, and she suggested that a blank of instructions, approved by the National President, be distributed to each Department, and placed in front of the cash book of every Corps for the instruction of the Auditing Committee. This being put in the form of a motion, was seconded and carried by almost the entire Convention.

With reports from the various committees, telegrams and greetings to the absent ones, the business of the Convention came to a close. It had been an instructive as well as an interesting one, and a fitting close to a successful year, and one which should be long remembered by all present.

In submitting this report, I must ask the leniency and consideration of you all. In a way I have gotten out of the work, and for years fear that I have been a drone among so many busy workers. Personal matters and ill health have made it impossible for me to connect myself with a Corps in Philadelphia, so that beyond keeping up my membership in Veteran Corps, and a willingness to give financial assistance, as far as able, whenever called upon, I do not feel myself of much use to the Order; therefore, when asked by our Department President to write this report, I willingly assented, as here was my opportunity to contribute my mite, poor though I knew it would be.

It is almost ten years since I gave in my report as Department Secretary at the Convention which met in Denver, April, 1890, and I little thought then that my next would be written so many miles away, but God knew best, and for some wise reason dealt the blow that bowed my head in sorrow, and took me from my adopted home in Colorado.

To some of you I am perhaps not known, even by name, but some there are among you who I feel still hold me in kind remembrance, and so to one and all I send a loving greeting, and "God bless you."

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

EMILY R. COHEN,
Delegate-at-Large.

Hester W. Hartzell, Press Correspondent, read her report, which was referred to committee.

Report of Department Press Correspondent.

DENVER, COLO., March 10, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary.

MADAM—In accordance with the Rules and Regulations, my report is herewith submitted:

The work of the year has been attended with many pleasant incidents. In almost all communications sent, personal letters have been enclosed, and these I have never failed to acknowledge. While the resolutions of the former Press Correspondent were adopted, and subscriptions were forwarded to the *National Tribune*, the *Searchlight*, of Kansas, and the *National W. R. C. Record*, the latter two being exclusively W. R. C. organs, and authorized by the Department of Colorado and Wyoming to be sent to me, I have never received a single copy of the *Searchlight* or *Record*, but have received regularly the *National Tribune*.

I have sent articles twice to this paper, but as yet have never seen them printed. From letters received from Press Correspondents in other Departments I hear the same complaint.

Since the appointment of Mrs. Jennie Whiteley Snyder as Assistant National Press Correspondent I have sent my communications to her, and have received in reply several beautiful letters of the work there, but which were not intended for publication. I have also received from her a small monthly pamphlet, called "The Silver Gate," especially advertising the industries of San Diego, but which also gives to her, for the use of the W. R. C., one page, which she has made very interesting. It is her desire to see an exclusive W. R. C. National paper.

It is the request of the editors of the *National Standard*, published in Denver, that all matter for the week should reach the office not later than Wednesday afternoon; and I would suggest, for the benefit of future correspondents, that all articles be sent early in the week, and that once each month the Department Secretary send to the Department Press Correspondent all items of interest in connection with the Department work, as the Correspondent relies wholly upon material sent her to fill her office, and she cannot do her duty if Corps do not respond.

In closing my report, my thanks are extended to Mrs. Seeds, Department President, for many kind courtesies.

Sincerely yours in F., C. and L.,

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
Department Press Correspondent.

Lucy Dresser, chairman of Committee on Junior Vice President's Report, read the report of the committee, as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the Committee on Junior Vice President's Report, have examined the same, and find that the duties of the office have been performed in a very creditable manner, and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LUCY J. DRESSER,
HAITIE A. BUNN,
ANNA HURST,
Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Killin, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

Olivia Peale, chairman of Committee on Senior Vice President's Report, read the report of the committee, as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the undersigned committee, have read and highly approve the report of the Senior Vice President.

OLIVIA PEALE,
ANNIE LEIMBERGER,
ANNA TEN BROECK,
Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Bunn, seconded by Jennie McGill, that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

The Department Secretary read greetings from Harriet J. Bodge, National President; Charlotte E. Wright, National Secretary; Mary M. Brown, National Chaplain, and Past National Presidents Flo Jamison Miller and Emma J. Wallace, which were referred to the Committee on Courtesies and Telegrams.

Edna E. Hamilton, chairman of Committee on Secretary's Report, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION—The committee to whom was referred the report of our Department Secretary have carefully examined the same and find it to be correct. Its statements are business-like, clear, and easily comprehended.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

EDNA E. HAMILTON,
LORETTA E. MUMMAH,
ELLEN J. WHEATLEY,
Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Benson, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

Margelia Hamilton, chairman of Committee on Treasurer's Report, read the report of the committee, as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION--Your Committee on Treasurer's Report have carefully examined the same, and most earnestly commend the work of our Treasurer in placing before us so plainly the financial statement of her office. She has served us faithfully for four years, and well merits the love and esteem in which she is held.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

MARGELIA E. HAMILTON.

MARY A. MOORE,

MARY HADER,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Babbitt, seconded by Mrs. Wheatley, that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

The report of the Department Relief Committee was read by the chairman, Helen R. Eldridge, and referred to committee.

Report of Department Relief Committee.

DENVER, COLO., March 19, 1900.

STELLA A. KYLE, Department Secretary.

MADAM--I have the honor to submit the following report of the Relief Committee for nine months, ending March 13, 1900:

MONEYS RECEIVED.

June 29, 1899.....	\$10 00
July 16, 1899.....	10 00
August 28, 1899.....	15 00
December 19, 1899.....	10 00
February 5, 1900.....	15 00
February 26, 1900.....	15 00
Total.....	\$75 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

1899.	
June 29, paid funeral expenses soldier's wife.....	\$ 5 00
June 29, paid a soldier's widow.....	1 00
July 5, gave a soldier's widow (groceries).....	1 00
July 11, helped a soldier's family (groceries).....	1 50
July 13, gave a soldier's widow (groceries).....	1 00
July 26, railroad ticket to Chicago, soldier's widow	5 75

July 26, paid room rent for soldier's widow.....	1 50
August 15, railroad ticket and meals for a comrade.....	2 50
August 28, railroad ticket to Kansas City for a comrade.....	3 00
August 17, paid a soldier's widow.....	1 00
September 13, helped a soldier's family.....	1 50
October 12, gave a soldier's widow.....	50
October 27, paid on railroad ticket for a soldier's son.....	75
November 2, paid soldier's widow.....	1 00
November 15, gave a soldier's family (medicine).....	2 00
November 23, gave a soldier's family.....	1 00
December 3, gave a soldier's wife, for medicine.....	1 00
December 11, gave a soldier's family (rent).....	2 00
December 16, paid a soldier's widow.....	1 00
December 23, helped a soldier's family.....	3 00
1900	
January 5, gave a soldier's family medicine and groceries.....	4 00
January 16, gave a soldier's family groceries.....	1 25
January 23, assisted a soldier's family (medicine and groceries).....	3 25
February 6, paid on funeral expenses comrade's wife.....	5 00
February 16, paid a soldier's widow.....	2 00
February 18, paid hospital expenses for soldier's daughter.....	13 00
March 3, paid soldier's widow.....	3 00
March 13, gave soldier's daughter for medicine and board.....	3 50
Car fare and postage.....	3 50
Total cash expended.....	\$75 00

Visits to the sick and needy, 45.

Relief, other than money, including railroad fare, clothing and donations, \$50.

In closing my work, I wish to express my thanks to the Corps, who have so generously aided me in the work for which we are banded together. I have tried to speak a word of comfort to sorrowing hearts as well as supplying bodily wants.

And to you, Mrs. President, accept my thanks for kind words of advice and ever ready response to any request made, and also to the Treasurer for kindness.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

HELEN R. ELDRIDGE,

Chairman.

The committee to bear greetings to the Ladies of the Grand Army reported a most cordial welcome from both the Department and National Presidents, who expressed their best wishes for our Convention.

Sarah A. Rosier, chairman of Committee on Counselor's Report, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We have reviewed with pleasure the report of the Department Counselor, and find it concise and clear. We heartily recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SARAH A. ROSIER,
ELLA M. BYERS,
MAHALA WILEY,
Committee.

Moved by Marian L. White, seconded by Nancy Cowell, that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

Hester W. Hartzell, chairman of Committee on Inspector's Report, reported as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the committee, listened with pleasure to the report of Inspector, and find the work has been done with unusual thoroughness, and heartily recommend its adoption.

HESTER W. HARTZELL,
MARY E. DOMM,
L. J. FAURION,
Committee.

Moved by Marion Sutton, seconded by Eliza Peters, that the report of the committee be adopted. Motion carried.

Mary L. Carr, Past Department President, reported her work in compiling the charter records of this Department since its organization from what papers she could gather, as no printed records are on file for the first two years.

She also referred to Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Eldridge as among the early pioneers in this Department.

Remarks were made by Mrs. Kennedy in regard to the organization of the first Department Convention.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. McCauley, that Mrs. Carr be continued the custodian of the charter records. Motion carried.

Guard announced that a committee from the Grand Army were in waiting.

Conductors and Color Bearers escorted Comrades Essington, Conley and Kelley to the platform. The comrades were welcomed by the Department President and introduced to the Convention and given the salute.

Comrade Essington: Mrs. President and Sisters of the W. R. C., it affords me great pleasure to visit you on this occasion. If you knew the ordeal through which I had to pass in order to become the chairman of this committee, to convey to the Woman's Relief Corps the fraternal



CATHERINE C. KENNEDY.
1884-1886.



MARY J. TELFORD.

1886-1888.



AUGUSTA B. HENDERSON.

1888-1890.

Past Department Presidents.

greeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, you would believe that I appreciate the opportunity. All the members of the G. A. R. aspire to a position on this committee. I have been the chairman of this committee for the last decade in the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, and I am proud of the honor. The heads of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic are fast being silvered over with the frosts of many winters, but while I have been permitted to attend all of your Conventions, I must say now that you do not seem to be at all older than when I first saw you. I bring to you the fraternal greetings of the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Grand Army of the Republic, which is now assembled, and has commenced the transaction of business for the coming year.

In looking over the assembled comrades, I must say that the present Encampment is composed of as intelligent a body of men as I have seen in Denver attending any Encampment. As I stand before you now, I see as intelligent a Corps of women as I have ever had the pleasure of visiting. I am proud of the Woman's Relief Corps, as the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, and assure you that I agree with the sentiments expressed by Department Commander Royal in his address, in which he said that the success of many of the Posts was due to the Woman's Relief Corps; that those Posts which had an auxiliary were in a prosperous condition, while those who had no auxiliary were not doing so well. If it were not for the Woman's Relief Corps, I do not believe the Grand Army of the Republic could withstand the ravages of Time, the only enemy that can overcome the old veteran. Sisters of the Woman's Relief Corps, God bless you.

Comrades Conley and Kelley followed with appropriate remarks, extending the good will and fraternal greetings of the Grand Army.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT: Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, it gives me great pleasure to extend to you the greetings of this Convention, and to thank the Department Commander for sending to us this youthful committee. I hope you will carry back to the Department Encampment the best wishes of the Convention.

Each member of the committee was presented with a delegate's badge, and as they retired from the hall the Convention stood and sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

The guard announced a committee from the Ladies' Aid Society.

Business was suspended, and Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Berry and Miss Yew were admitted, introduced and given the Convention salute.

Mrs. Abbott presented the greetings of the Ladies' Aid Society, and extended an invitation to the Convention to attend their reception, held this evening in the parlors of the Masonic Temple.

The Department President thanked them for their invitation, for their visit and kind wishes.

The hour having passed for election of officers, it was moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Randolph, that the election of officers be postponed until after the exemplification of the ritual this afternoon. Carried.

Katie L. Sahrbeck, chairman of Committee on Patriotic Instructor's Report, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION—Your Committee on the Patriotic Instructor's Report submit the following: We have examined the report, and find the work has been done in a concise and conscientious manner, and recommend the adoption of the report and recommendations.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

KATIE L. SAHRBECK,
BACIA GREEB,
MARGARET J. FRITZ,
Committee.

Moved by Marian L. White, seconded by Mattie J. McDonald, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Jennie Dunnington, chairman of Committee on Report of Department Relief Committee, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the Committee on the Report of the Chairman of the Relief Committee, have examined the same, and find it quite complete. We feel that this is the great work for which we are banded together, and that the committee has done its work faithfully.

JENNIE DUNNINGTON,
JENNIE MCGILL,
JENNIE MISSER,
Committee.

Moved by Hester W. Hartzell, seconded by Hattie Bunn, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Sadie M. Fisher, chairman of Committee on Delegate at Large, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the Committee upon the Report of Delegate at Large, have examined the same, and find it carefully and well written, and pleased to know that Emily R. Cohen is still interested in the work of our Order.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SADIE M. FISHER,
NETTIE MARKER,
STELLA NEWMAN,
Committee.

Moved by Janette L. Todd, seconded by Susie Carr McGuire, the adoption of the report. Carried.

Irene B. Cowie, chairman of Committee on I. and I. Officer's Report, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the committee, have examined the report of the Instituting and Installing Officer, and find the report perfect in every particular and recommend its acceptance.

IRENE B. COWIE,
CARRIE I. CHADBOURNE,
MATTIE J. McDONALD,
Committee.

Moved by Mrs. King, seconded by Mrs. Luman, the adoption of the report. Carried.

Greetings from Emma C. Ewing, Department President of Idaho, were read by the Department Secretary and referred to committee.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Stephenson, that the greetings of this convention be extended to all absent Past Department Presidents, that a letter of appreciation and thanks be extended to Mrs. Cohen for her beautiful report of National Convention, and a letter of condolence to the bereaved son of the late Annie Wittenmyer. Carried.

A committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army was announced. Mesdames Patrick, Leonard and Ward were escorted to the platform and introduced.

Mrs. Patrick, in a few well-chosen words, presented the greetings of their Convention. Department President responded and presented each with a badge of the Convention.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Newman, that the convention adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Carried.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by the Department President, who turned the gavel over to Sarah J. Kimmins, President of Meade Corps, for the exemplification of the ritual.

Comrade Saville was announced, admitted and given the salute of the Order. In behalf of the Entertainment Committee of the G. A. R., he extended a cordial invitation to the Convention to attend a concert in Windsor Hall in the evening, which was accepted.

Comrade O. E. Adams, editor of the "National Standard," was received and introduced. He spoke briefly in regard to his paper, the official organ of the W. R. C. in this Department, and asked for the continued support of the W. R. C. members.

The comrades were escorted from the hall and exemplification was resumed, which was beautifully performed, and reflected credit on the members taking part.

The President took the chair.

Mrs. Campbell, chairman of the committee to visit the Grand Army, reported a delightful reception and ovation tendered them.

Secretary called the roll of Convention, 172 members reporting present.

The President declared nominations for Department President in order.

Mrs. Kennedy nominated Minnie E. Kingsford, of Rawlins, Wyo., seconded by Mrs. Dunnington and others.

Mrs. Pierce nominated Angie C. Grove, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Anderson and others.

Mrs. Campbell nominated Arabella C. Johnson, of Fort Morgan, seconded by Mrs. Stephenson and others.

Mrs. Hardin nominated Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Byers and others.

Mrs. Seeds thanked the ladies, but declined.

Candidates were escorted to the platform and introduced.

Mrs. McGuire and Mrs. Newman were appointed to assist the Conductors in collecting the ballots.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that the tellers retire to the ante-room to count the ballots. Carried.

Lydia C. Young, chairman of committee, reported on Senior Aide's report.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. White, that the report be adopted.

Moved, as an amendment, that the report be referred back to the committee, to confer with the Senior Aide in regard to making the recommendation more explicit. Carried.

Telegram of greeting from Anna B. Holliday, Past Department President, was read and referred to Committee on Greetings.

Tellers made the following report: Whole number of votes cast, 166; necessary to a choice, 86; Mrs. Kingsford received 111 votes; Mrs. Grove, 26; Mrs. Johnson, 29.

Mrs. Kingsford having received a majority of the votes cast was declared elected Department President.

Nominations for Senior Vice President:

Mrs. Dodge nominated Mary E. Ullmer, of Boulder, seconded by Nathaniel Lyon delegation and others.

Emma A. Hughes nominated Jennie Paddock, of Leadville, seconded by several.

Nominations closed and tellers retired.

Sarah A. Tucker, Assistant Secretary, extended a cordial invitation to the Convention to meet in Pueblo next year.

The Department Secretary read the following minutes of Council meetings:

FIRST COUNCIL MEETING.

DENVER, COLO., May 5, 1899.

The first meeting of the Department Council convened in the parlors of the Albany Hotel immediately after the installation of officers, and was called to order by the Department President, Alice M. Seeds.

Other members present: Department Junior Vice President Sadie M. Fisher, Treasurer Clara Rapp, Chaplain Charlotte Coe, Counselor Lucy M. Campbell, I. and I. Officer Stella Newman, Patriotic Instructor Ida M. Fallis, Members of Executive Board Alice T. Smith, Olive McKee and Marian E. Kelley; Assistant National Inspector Jennie McGill, Department Secretary Stella A. Kyle.

The minutes of last session of Convention were read and adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. J. B. Fanning, manager of the Albany Hotel, for courtesies extended. Carried.

The Executive Board, having been in session, reported the selection of the following Auditing Committee: Mesdames Smith, McKee and Selleck.

Upon motion, the action was approved.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that we adjourn, subject to the call of the President. Carried.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

SECOND COUNCIL MEETING.

DENVER, COLO., March 20, 1900.

Department Council met at headquarters, at the Albany Hotel, at 4:30 p. m., and was called to order by the Department President.

Mrs. Coe, Department Chaplain, led in prayer.

Those reporting present were Department President Alice M. Seeds, Secretary Stella A. Kyle, Treasurer Clara Rapp, Chaplain, Charlotte Coe, Counselor Lucy M. Campbell, I. and I. Officer Stella Newman; Executive Board, Alice T. Smith, Olive McKee and Mary A. Selleck; Chief Aide Ida Critchell.

The chairman of the Executive Board, Alice T. Smith, presented the following report, which was accepted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., March 20, 1900.

Alice M. Seeds, Department President, and Members of the Council, W. R. C.:

As chairman of the Executive Board, I take pleasure in submitting the following report for the Sixteenth Annual Convention.

The Executive Board met in the parlors of the Albany Hotel, at Denver, May 5, 1899, and selected an Auditing Committee, which was reported to the First Council meeting and confirmed, who submitted the following report, which was accepted by the Board:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

DENVER, COLO., March 20, 1900.

Your committee, appointed to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, carefully examined all books, accounts and vouchers on the following dates: July 31, 1899, October 21, 1899, February 15, 1900, and March 20, 1900, and find them correct and neatly kept.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE T. SMITH,
MARY A. SELLECK,
OLIVE MCKEE,
Committee.

The following questions were submitted to the Department Council for their approval *ad interim*:

First—To financially aid Jim Bowie Corps, No. 30, Amethyst, Colo.

Second—For consent of Council to appoint delegates to fill vacancies to the Seventeenth National Convention.

Third—To purchase flag for hospital building at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, Colo.

In closing my report, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to Department President Alice M. Seeds and Department Secretary Stella A. Kyle for their uniform kindness shown me during my term of office.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE T. SMITH,
Chairman Executive Board.

Clara Rapp, Committee on Soldiers' Home Fund, reported a surplus of \$38.38, and asked the pleasure of the Department Council as to what disposition should be made of it.

Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Newman, that Mrs. Rapp be instructed to purchase an invalid chair and Morris table for the hospital. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Selleck, that Mrs. Rapp be instructed to confer with Colonel Shaw and use the balance of the fund for whatever he should suggest. Carried.

Interesting letters were read from Samuel West, adjutant of the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, acknowledging the receipt of literature, games and hospital flag.

Also one from General Frank Stitzer, of the Wyoming Home, expressing his gratitude for the gramophone and literature.

Moved by Mrs. Selleck, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that, owing to the inability of the Auditing Committee to secure the usual half-rate fare on the railroads, they be allowed part of their expenses. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by several, that we adjourn, subject to the call of the President. Carried.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

On motion, the minutes were adopted.

Messrs. George, Dunnington and Whitney, committee from the Sons of Veterans, were received and introduced to the Convention. Mr. George made a few remarks, in which he paid a high tribute to his mother and the women of this country, eulogizing the Woman's Relief Corps for their noble work.

He was followed by the other members of the committee, to which the President responded.

The tellers announced the result of the ballot: Whole number of votes cast, 161; necessary to a choice, 81. Mrs. Ullmer received 50, Mrs. Paddock 111.

Mrs. Paddock was declared elected Senior Vice President.

Nominations for Junior Vice President:

Mrs. Hardin nominated Olive Killin, of Kiowa, seconded by Mrs. Rose.

Mrs. Benson nominated Pauline Ashbaugh, of Central City, seconded by Irene DeToliver.

Mrs. Todd nominated Sarah A. Tucker, of Pueblo, seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Susie Waters, chairman of Committee on Press Correspondent's Report, made the following report:

MRS. PRESIDENT—Having carefully read the report of the Press Correspondent, we find she has been faithful and conscientious with her work. We approve the suggestions made, and recommend the adoption of the report.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SUSIE WATERS.
HANNAH JOHNSON,
T. P. PILBURN,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Butler, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers reported 144 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 73. Mrs. Killin received 27, Mrs. Ashbaugh 5, Miss Tucker 111.

Miss Tucker was declared elected Junior Vice President.

On motion Convention adjourned, to meet at 9 o'clock Friday.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, March 23, 1900.

Convention called to order at 9:15 a. m.

Opened by singing the Opening Ode, followed by prayer by Department Chaplain Charlotte Coe.

Conductors reported all present members of the Order.

Abbie R. Flagg, Past President Department of Michigan, was introduced to the Convention and given the salute.

Mrs. Flagg said:

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Convention:

The words of our Past National President came to me very forcibly yesterday, that "memory was the soul of the past and the inspiration of the future."

Passing through your city, and hearing that you are in convention, I could not deprive myself of the pleasure of visiting you for a few minutes.

The associations of the past, and the formation of our Order in this city, are fresh in memory, and it seems that you are connected with the first work of our Order in the West. It is an inspiration to me to meet you here this morning. While I have attended most of the National Conventions, and met some of you at them, it seems pleasant to meet my sisters in their own home. I extend to you an invitation to visit the Department of Michigan, which meets in June this year.

* The Department President presented Mrs. Flagg with a Convention badge.

Minutes of yesterday's afternoon session read and approved.

Hester W. Hartzell conveyed the greetings of Jennie Whiteley Snyder, Assistant National Press Correspondent, of San Diego, California.

Clara Rapp, committee to select literature for the Soldiers' Homes, submitted the following report:

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT TREASURER ON SOLDIERS'
HOMES AT MONTE VISTA AND CHEYENNE.

DENVER, COLO., March 20, 1900.

MRS. PRESIDENT—Having been appointed a committee to expend money donated by the Corps of this Department for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes at Monte Vista, Colo., and Cheyenne, Wyo., I respectfully submit my report:

	DR.
Cash received from Corps for Colorado Home.....	\$118 28
Cash received from Corps for Wyoming Home.....	38 50
Total	\$156 78
	CR.
For Wyoming Home, gramophone.....	\$18 00
For Wyoming Home, 24 records for gramophone.	12 00
For Wyoming Home, 1,000 extra needles for gramophone.....	1 00
Subscriptions for periodicals for one year, as follows: Strand Magazine, Christian Herald, Cosmopolitan, McClure's Magazine, Munsey's Magazine, Review of Reviews.....	7 50
Total	\$38 50

For Colorado Home:

1 hospital flag	\$ 10 50
27 bound volumes for library.....	16 63
1 Archerena board.....	3 00
1 game of chess	1 25
1 year's subscription for 24 periodicals and magazines	40 10
2 Morris chairs for hospital.....	17 00
1 bedside table.....	4 75
Material for covers for cushions of chairs.....	1 00
1 flag, 16x10 (garrison).....	10 00
Express and freight on above	5 05

Total\$118 28

M. M. Crocker donated a very handsome quilt, and Comrade George Kauffman, of Washington Post, donated two silver presentation plates, to be put on the chairs.

Donations to Colorado Soldiers' and Sailors' Home:

J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	\$ 5 00
G. H. Thomas, No. 26....	8 33
Pfeiffer, No. 25.....	25 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	1 00
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8.....	25 00
G. H. Thomas, No. 26, subscription to Review of Reviews	2 50
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	2 00
Veteran, No. 14.....	10 00
North Fork, No. 11.....	10 00
W. T. Sherman, No. 24, subscription to Christian Herald	2 00
Farragut, No. 1	2 00
Reno, No. 21	3 00
Jim Bowie, No. 30, subscription to Scribner's Magazine.....	2 70
Gunnison, No. 12.....	2 00
Geo. Washington, No. 42	3 00
Upton, No. 2	3 00
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	4 00
Sedgwick, No. 3.....	1 50
Pfeiffer, No. 25, subscription to Strand Magazine.....	1 25
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6	2 00

Total\$118 28

Donations to Wyoming Soldiers' and Sailors' Home:

C. W. Collins, No. 13, for gramophone.....	\$10 00
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, for gramophone.....	10 00
Custer, No. 20, for gramophone	10 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23, for gramophone	1 00
Jim Bowie, No. 30, for gramophone	1 00
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, for gramophone	2 00
W. T. Sherman, No. 24, subscription for Christian Herald.....	2 00
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, subscription for Review of Reviews..	2 50

Total\$38 50

The very liberal discount I have obtained on all supplies bought for the Homes has enabled me to purchase the above mentioned articles.

It is gratifying to note that the comrades at the Homes appreciate the efforts of the Woman's Relief Corps to add to their pleasures,

and the amounts donated during the past year are an evidence of the interest felt by the Corps in this good and noble work.

It has been my very pleasant duty to serve on this committee for the past three years, during which period I have had many evidences of the appreciation of the comrades of the expenditure of this fund. With me, it is a labor of love to add my mite to make life more endurable to the heroes of '61-'65 in their lonely old age.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

CLARA RAPP.

Moved by Mrs. Hartzell, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that the report be accepted and a rising vote of thanks be tendered Mrs. Rapp for her valuable services. Carried.

Secretary called roll of Convention; 136 delegates reported present.

Election of officers continued. Nominations for Treasurer:

Mrs. DeToliver nominated Jennie Dunnington, seconded by Colorado Springs delegation and others.

Mrs. Carr nominated Clara Rapp, seconded by Hester Hartzell and others.

Nominations closed.

Emma D. Adams: I find, in reading decision one of the Fourteenth Annual Convention: "That we petition the next General Assembly to so amend the law relating to the appointment of the Soldiers' Home Board that at least one member shall be a woman, the wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier, and a member of the W. R. C." I move that the words "wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier" be eliminated from this decision.

Seconded by Mrs. Hogle and carried unanimously.

Comrade I. D. Chamberlain, of Post 91, Pueblo, was admitted and introduced. In behalf of the Grand Army Encampment, he invited the W. R. C. to a joint installation in Windsor Hall this afternoon, the hour to be announced later.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Babbitt, that we accept the invitation. Motion carried.

Tellers made the following report:

Number of votes cast, 142; necessary to a choice; 72. Mrs. Rapp, 82; Mrs. Dunnington, 60.

Mrs. Rapp was declared elected Department Treasurer.

Nominations for Department Chaplain:

Mrs. Benson nominated Pauline Ashbaugh of Central City, seconded by several.

There being no further nominations, Mrs. Hogle moved, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, that the Secretary cast the ballot of this Convention for Mrs. Ashbaugh for Chaplain. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ashbaugh was declared elected Department Chaplain.

Nominations for Executive Board:

Mrs. Mellette nominated Susie Carr McGuire, of Longmont, who declined.

Mrs. Kingsford nominated Mary Ingersoll.

Moved by Mrs. Hogle, seconded by several, that the Secretary cast the ballot of this Convention for Mrs. Ingersoll. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ingersoll was declared elected chairman of the Executive Board.

Nominations for second member of the Executive Board:

Mrs. Carr nominated Maria Baillie, seconded by several.

Mrs. Stephenson nominated Marian R. Kelley, seconded by Mrs. Campbell.

Nominations closed and tellers retired.

Mrs. Stephenson, chairman of the committee to visit the Sons of Veterans, reported that when they went to their hall yesterday they had not as yet convened, and so postponed their visit until to-day, and now find that they have adjourned. Therefore, moved that the greetings of this Convention be forwarded to the Colonel of the Sons of Veterans. Seconded by Mrs. Newman and carried.

Report of Committee on Senior Aide's report:

To the President and Members of the Sixteenth Annual Convention, W. R. C.:

We take pleasure in reporting on the Senior Aide's report, finding her report most faithfully made and very complete.

We regret that out of forty-four Corps only twenty-two sent reports, and would refer the recommendation concerning blanks for reports to the Committee on Resolutions.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LYDIA YOUNG,
MARGARET DAVIS,
ANNIE LEIMBERGER,
Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson that the report be adopted. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Carr, chairman of the Committee on the President's address, read report of committee:

Mrs. President and Members of the Sixteenth Annual Convention:

Your committee, to whom was referred the President's address, have duly considered the same, and submit the following report:

We have only words of praise for the faithful and conscientious work of the President for the past year. The motto of our Order has been fully exemplified by her devoted loyalty and earnest zeal. The steady growth in membership, the peace and harmony prevailing throughout the Department is in a large measure due to her earnest efforts to advance the interests of the Order and increase its worthiness.

The recommendations have been duly considered.

Recommendation No. 1 Approved by committee.

Recommendation No. 2 Not approved by committee.

Recommendation No. 3—Approved by committee.

Recommendation No. 4—Approved by committee.

Recommendation No. 5 Not approved by committee.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

MARY L. CARR,
JANETTE L. TODD,
MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,
Committee.

Moved by Emma D. Adams, seconded by Mildred McKinsey, that the report be accepted and that the recommendations be acted upon separately. Carried.

Tellers report 126 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 64. Mrs. Baillie, 44; Mrs. Kelley, 82.

Mrs. Kelley was declared elected second member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for third member of Executive Board.

Mrs. Adams nominated Mrs. Capron, seconded by several.

Mrs. Rapp nominated Mrs. Kauffman, seconded by several.

Nominations closed.

Senior Vice took the chair and Mrs. Carr proceeded to read report:

Recommendation No. 1—That the rate of representation to Department Convention remain the same. Approved by the committee

Moved by Mrs. Grové, seconded by Mrs. Newman that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 2—That the Corps organized defray the expenses of the I. and I. Officer, said officer being appointed to incur the least expense. Not approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 3—That the per capita tax be continued at 15 cents per quarter. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Mellette, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge, that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

Tellers report 128 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 65. Mrs. Capron received 74, Mrs. Kauffman 54.

Mrs. Capron declared elected third member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for fourth member of the Executive Board:

Mrs. Hartzell nominated Margaret Kauffman, of No. 42, seconded by Mrs. Grove.

Mrs. Leimberger nominated Loretta E. Mummah, of No. 4, seconded by Mrs. McDonald.

Nominations closed.

Owing to some of the delegates being obliged to leave the hall, the report of the Committee on Resolutions was called for, which request was granted.

Fannie D. W. Hardin, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, reported the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

Your Committee on Resolutions feel that the members of this Convention are greatly pleased to find again among their number Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Past Department President, and have individually extended to her a cordial welcome. We also wish to express our appreciation of her help, assistance and good advice; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we ask this Convention to endorse Past Department President Mary L. Carr for our next National President, and that we use every honorable means for her election at the Eighteenth National Convention.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

Resolved, That the Sixteenth Department Convention extend their sympathy to Commander-in-Chief Shaw in his sad bereavement in the loss of his wife.

RESOLUTION NO. 3.

WHEREAS, Full and complete reports of all officers are printed in the Journal; therefore, be it

Resolved, That only a summary of the Department Chaplain's, Instituting and Installing Officer's and Inspector's reports be read in Convention.



MARY L. CARR.

1892-1893.



LAURA S. DODGE.

1893-1894.



FANNIE D. W. HARDIN.

1897-1898.

Past Department Presidents.

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

Resolved, That the Sixteenth Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming extend to Mary L. Carr, Past Department President, their thanks for her very efficient work during the past seven years in keeping the records of disbanded Corps and other valuable records since its organization.

RESOLUTION NO. 5.

Resolved, That this Convention petition the Eighteenth National Convention to prepare and furnish blanks for the use of the Department Aides, in accordance with their duties, thereby greatly facilitating the work of the Senior Aide in compiling the reports.

FANNIE D. WALTHALL HARDIN,
EMMA HUGHES,
ESTHER H. RANDOLPH,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the committee was accepted and the resolutions acted upon separately.

Resolution No. 1 read.

Moved by Laura S. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Kilpatrick, that the resolution be adopted by a rising vote. Carried.

It was suggested by the committee that the incoming President issue a circular letter endorsing Mrs. Carr for National President.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Miss Fisher, that the suggestion be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 2 read.

Moved by Mrs. Mellette, seconded by several, that this resolution be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 3 read.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Hughes, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Tellers reported 125 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 63. Mrs. Mummah received 45, Mrs. Kauffman 80.

Mrs. Kauffman was declared elected fourth member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for fifth member of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Kyle nominated Mrs. Mummah.

No further nominations.

Moved by Mrs. White, seconded by several, that the Secretary cast the ballot of this Convention for Mrs. Mummah. Carried.

Mrs. Mummah was declared elected fifth member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for Delegate at Large:

Mrs. Dodge nominated Ellen Holbrook, of Colorado Springs, seconded by Mrs. Carr.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by several, that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Holbrook. Carried.

Mrs. Holbrook was declared elected Delegate at Large.

Nominations for first delegate.

Mrs. Newman nominated Eloise S. Lehow, of No. 6, seconded by Mrs. Cowell.

Miss Fisher nominated Mrs. Kyle, who declined.

Mrs. Waters nominated Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mrs. Hardin.

Nominations closed.

Moved by Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Laura S. Dodge, that the President appoint a committee to wait upon the Grand Army, informing them of the candidacy of Mary L. Carr, and ask their endorsement for her as National President. Carried.

Laura S. Dodge, Fannie D. W. Hardin and Lucy M. Campbell were appointed as such committee.

Resolution No. 4 read.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by Mrs. Kyle, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 5 read.

Moved by Mrs. McCauley, seconded by Mrs. Macarey, that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

On motion, the report of committee was adopted as a whole.

Comrade Pitkin was announced in waiting.

Business was suspended, and the comrade was escorted to the platform by the conductor and color-bearers. After greetings by the President and being introduced to the Convention, he said:

I am here as one of a committee to announce that the time decided upon for installation is two o'clock this afternoon, and extend an invitation from the Grand Army for the Woman's Relief Corps to join with us.

The invitation having been accepted previously, the President said we would join them at the appointed hour.

Tellers reported votes cast, 114; necessary to a choice, 58. Mrs. Lehow, 86; Mrs. McIlvaine, 22; Mrs. Kyle, 6.

Mrs. Lehow was declared elected first delegate.

Nominations for second delegate:

Mrs. Smith nominated Mrs. Kyle, seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Mrs. Campbell nominated Hattie Buss of Fort Collins, seconded by several.

Mrs. Grove nominated Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by several.

Nominations closed.

Senior Vice President took the chair, and fourth recommendation of the President's address read: "That the amount of cash in the Emergency fund be placed in the Department Relief fund."

Approved by committee.

Moved by Angie Grove, seconded by Mrs. Benson, that the report of the committee be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 5: "That the incoming President apply to one of the daily papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions."

Not approved by committee.

Moved by Mrs. Coe, seconded by several, that the report be adopted.

Moved as an amendment by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Newman, that this matter be left to the discretion of the incoming President.

Amendment adopted.

Moved by Mrs. McCarey, seconded by Mrs. McCauley, that the report of the committee be adopted as amended. Carried.

Report of Committee on Courtesies and Telegrams.

Olive Butler, chairman of Committee on Courtesies and Telegrams, reported as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT—We, the Committee on Courtesies, report that telegrams have been sent to Past Department Presidents Augusta B. Henderson, Climena G. Howard, Anna B. Holliday; to National President Harriet J. Bodge, National Chaplain Mary M. Brown, Past National President Flo Jamison Miller, Department President of Idaho Emma C. Ewing, in response to greetings received.

Not being able to reach Past Department President Mary J. Telford by wire, a letter of greetings will be sent her; also a letter to

Assistant National Press Correspondent Jennie Whiteley Snyder, in response to a letter of greetings.

We recommend that George G. Meade Relief Corps be tendered a vote of thanks for their beautiful and proficient work in exemplifying the ritual.

We recommend that the thanks of this Convention be extended to the pianist, conductors, guards and color-bearers of this Convention; also the press, members of the Entertainment Committee in furnishing theater party, Entertainment Committee of the G. A. R., and to all who have added to the pleasure and enjoyment of the week. We also recommend that a vote of thanks be extended to J. B. Fanning, manager of the Albany Hotel, for the use of parlors for the reception.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 17, 1900.

*Alice M. Seeds, Department President Colorado and Wyoming,
W. R. C., Cripple Creek, Colo.:*

MRS. PRESIDENT—The invitation to the National Secretary and myself to attend your Department Convention received. We thank you very heartily, and regret that it will be impossible for us to be present, but our National staff will be ably represented by the National Instituting and Installing Officer, Mrs. Abbie A. Adams, who writes under recent date that she expects to be in Denver at that time.

The report of your good work has reached me from various sources, and I congratulate you, and extend to you and the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, in Convention assembled, my most cordial greeting. I am with you in spirit, and wish for you and those in attendance a grand, harmonious meeting, replete with all that makes the success of our Order.

Yours, very cordially,

HARRIET J. BODGE,
National President W. R. C.

*Alice M. Seeds, Department President Colorado and Wyoming,
W. R. C., Cripple Creek, Colo.:*

MRS. PRESIDENT—I am in receipt of your very cordial invitation to be present at the Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming, on March 21, 22 and 23, and if it were possible I would surely be present, for it would give me great pleasure to clasp the hands and look into the faces of the members of our beloved Order in your Department. While distance prevents me from being with you in person, I shall be with you in thought, trusting the Convention will be most harmonious in all earnest deliberations to promote the best good of our Order.

Fraternally yours in F., C. and L.,

CHARLOTTE E. WRIGHT,
National Secretary.

EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 9, 1900.

Alice M. Seeds, Department President, and Convention Assembled:

May God's blessing rest upon you. May His infinite wisdom guide you, that great good may result from your deliberations.

Faternally,

MARY M. BROWN,
National Chaplain.

MONTICELLO, Ill., March 9, 1900.

MRS. PRESIDENT—Your General Order, No. 8, duly received, and tells me your year as President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. will soon be one of memories.

Let me congratulate you on your success, and extend you my best wishes for a prosperous future. My visit to Colorado last year was a very pleasant one to me, and one I shall always remember with pleasure. If it were possible I would come to you again this year, to renew old acquaintances and form new ones among your workers.

Convey to the Convention my cordial greetings, and say to them that the best the future has in store I wish for each and every one.

Thanking you for your General Orders, I am,

Sincerely, in F., C. and L.,

FLO JAMISON MILLER,
Past National President, W. R. C.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 17, 1900.

MRS. PRESIDENT—Just a friendly word, to tell you I have enjoyed your General Orders, and to wish for you a most delightful Convention. I shall spend these days with you when I read the pages of your Journal, and as each familiar name comes before my vision I shall recall the owner's face, and remember with pleasure my visit to Denver when I was National President.

Give to my co-workers my kindest regards.

Yours fraternally,

EMMA R. WALLACE,
Past National President.

BOISE CITY, Idaho, March 17, 1900.

Alice M. Seeds, Dept. President, Colo. and Wyo. W. R. C., Officers and Members of the Sixteenth Department Convention:

GREETINGS—In behalf of the Department of Idaho, W. R. C., we hereby extend to you our fraternal greetings, with the sincere wish that this Convention will prove the most harmonious, prosperous and happy meeting ever before held.

May many sheaves be garnered from the good "Seeds" sown the past Department year.

Yours, in F., C. and L.,

EMMA C. EWING,
Department President.

ISABELLE McELFRESH,
Department Secretary.

LARAMIE, Wyo., March 20, 1900.

MRS. PRESIDENT—Greetings to Convention. Regret I cannot be with you.

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Past Department President.

Moved by Mrs. Beetham, seconded by Mrs. Berry, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers report 119 votes cast. Mrs. Kyle 39, Mrs. Buss 31, Mrs. McIlvaine 49.

No election. Ballot taken.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that we have 500 copies of the Journal printed, and that the decisions, the by-laws of this Department, be revised by the retiring Department President, and all obsolete matter be stricken out. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that the names of the Department President, Secretary and Treasurer of each administration, with the names of the corresponding officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, from the organization of the W. R. C. in this Department, be printed in the Journal. Carried.

Tellers report 88 votes cast. Mrs. Buss 46, Mrs. Kyle 34, Mrs. McIlvaine 8.

Mrs. Buss was declared elected second delegate.

Mrs. Smith nominated Mrs. Kyle for Alternate at Large, seconded by several.

Mrs. Hardin moved, seconded by several, that the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Kyle. Carried.

Mrs. Kyle was declared elected Alternate at Large.

Nominations for first alternate:

Mrs. Hartzell nominated Mrs. Hader, seconded by Miss Fisher.

Mrs. Berry nominated Mrs. Killin, who declined.

Moved by Mrs. Hartzell, seconded by several, that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Hader for first Alternate. Carried.

Mrs. Hader was declared elected first alternate.

Nominations for second alternate:

Mrs. Cowell nominated Mrs. Killin.

Moved by Mrs. Beetham, seconded by several, that the Secretary cast the ballot of this Convention for Mrs. Killin. Carried.

Olive Killin was declared elected second alternate.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell that the Assistant Secretary be allowed the sum of \$10 for her services. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Hawes, chairman of Committee on Chaplain's Report, reported as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT—Your committee, having carefully looked over the report of the Department Chaplain, as well as listened to the reading of the same, find it carefully and conscientiously prepared, and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

CLEMENTINE S. HAWES,
MARY E. MAYO,
LIEBIE MCLEOD,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Macarey, seconded by Mrs Killin, that the report be adopted. Carried.

President appointed the following Committee on Testimonials for next year: Sarah A. Tucker, Anna D. Fishback and Mary E. Ingersoll.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the exemplification of the ritual be dispensed with hereafter at Convention.

Moved as an amendment by Mrs. Killin, seconded by several, that the ritual be exemplified after election of officers.

Motion as amended carried.

The Department President extended her thanks to the officers and members of the Convention for their attention and promptness in transacting the business of the Convention, and to the Aides from the Denver Corps for their assistance.

Mrs Hardin moved, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, that a rising vote of thanks be extended to our retiring President for the able manner in which she presided. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that all unfinished business be left to the approval of the incoming Council. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by several, that we adjourn, to meet at 2 o'clock in Windsor Hall for installation of officers, joint with the Grand Army. Motion carried.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Joint public installation was held in the Temple Building by the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, G. A. R., Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the G. A. R., the Ladies of the G. A. R. and Ladies' Aid to the Sons of Veterans.

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock by the Department Commander, A. Royal.

Laura S. Dodge, Past Department President of the W. R. C., was introduced, and said:

Commander Royal and comrades of the G. A. R., the Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, in session this forenoon, adopted a resolution, which they will present to the next annual National Convention, in Chicago, presenting Mary L. Carr as candidate for National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, and I have been directed to ask this Department Encampment to endorse our action.

Past Department Commander N. J. O'Brien moved that the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, G. A. R., give its most hearty endorsement to Mary L. Carr of Longmont, Colo., as candidate for National President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Motion seconded and adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Public installation of officers-elect for the year 1900 was conducted as follows:

The officers of the Ladies' Aid to the Sons of Veterans were installed by Mary E. Abbott.

The officers-elect of the Ladies of the G. A. R. were installed by Dr. Julia P. Shade of Philadelphia, National President.

The officers-elect of the Woman's Relief Corps were duly installed by Fannie D. W. Hardin, Past Department President, W. R. C. Olive McKee acted as Conductor and Raynie Hobart as pianist.

Minnie E. Kingsford, being duly installed as President of the W. R. C., thanked the ladies of the Convention for the honor thus conferred upon her, and declared the Sixteenth Annual Convention closed.

The officers-elect of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, G. A. R., were duly installed by General W. T. S. May, Past Department Commander.

At the close of the public installation Commander Oran spoke briefly of the work of the coming year, and expressed the hope that we would all meet again next year at Pueblo.

There being no further business, the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming was declared closed.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge, the foregoing is a correct record of the proceedings of the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

Unofficial Business.

A reception in the parlors of the Albany Hotel, Tuesday evening, March 20, 1900, was tendered by the Department officers of the Woman's Relief Corps. Alice M. Seeds, Department President, was assisted by Commander Royal, Sara B. C. Stephenson, Senior Vice President; Stella A. Kyle, Department Secretary; Ida Critchell, Chief Aide, and by Abbie Adams of Nebraska, National I. and I. Officer, and received the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of the Woman's Relief Corps and friends.

Wednesday, at 1:30 p. m., the W. R. C. viewed the parade of the G. A. R. veterans, who saluted them, as usual, with the waving of flags and handkerchiefs as they marched with swinging step to the inspiring music of the Cook Drum Corps and various bands of martial music.

Wednesday evening, March 21, a Campfire was held in the Temple Building. Address of welcome was made by H. V. Johnson, Mayor of Denver, and was responded to by General A. Royal, Department Commander, Alice M. Seeds, Department President, and others. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Cook Drum Corps.

A theater party, under the direction of the Entertainment Committee of the Denver W. R. C., attended the Lyceum Theater, and witnessed the play "The Magistrate."

Thursday evening, March 22, a concert was held in the Temple Building, tendered by the artists of the city of Denver to the visiting members of the G. A. R. Encampment and Conventions. A fine program was rendered, which was enjoyed by a crowded house.

Decisions of the Sixteenth Annual Convention.

I. That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

II. That the per capita tax be continued at fifteen cents per quarter.

III. That the amount of cash in the Emergency fund be placed in the Department Relief fund.

IV. That the incoming President use her discretion in making application to one of the leading daily papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions.

V. That Corps Presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

VI. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in the schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and Woman's Relief Corps.

VII. That the Department Secretary send to the Department Press Correspondent monthly all items of interest in connection with Department work.

VIII. That 500 copies of the Journal be printed, and that the decisions, the by-laws of the Department, be revised by the retiring Department President, all obsolete matter to be stricken out.

IX. That the names of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each administration, with the names of the corresponding officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, from the organization of the W. R. C. in this Department, be printed in the Journal.

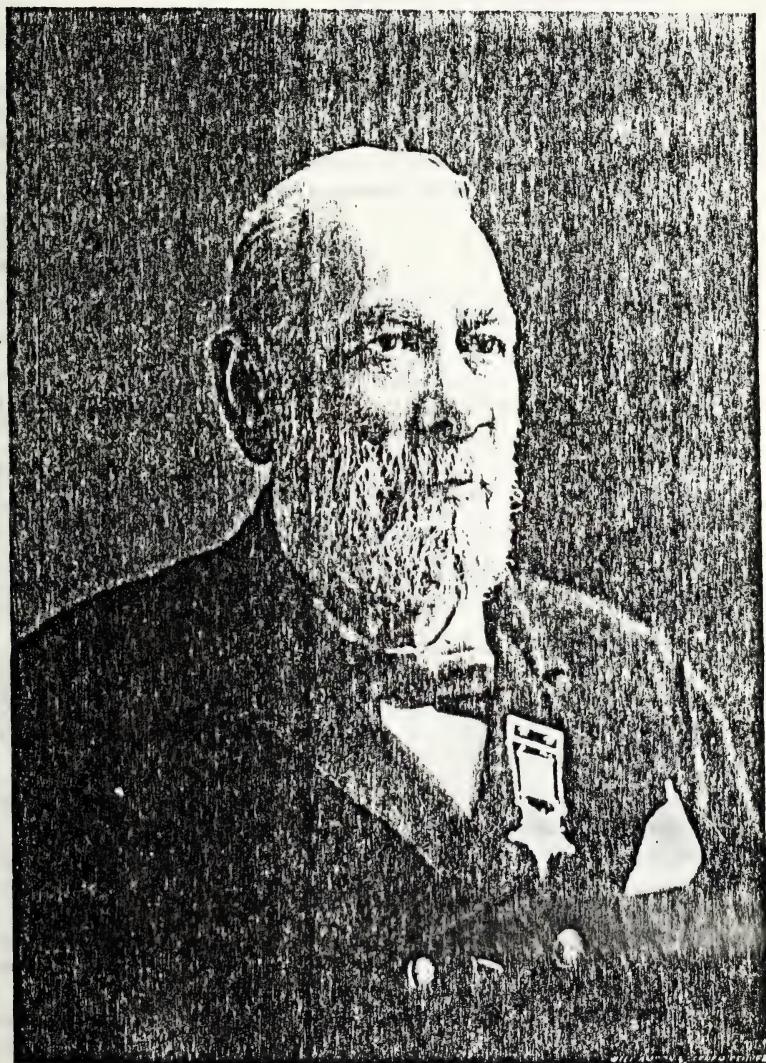
X. That, as full and complete reports of all officers are printed in the Journal, only a summary of the Chaplain's, I. and I. Officer's and Inspector's reports be read in Convention.

XI. That Mary L. Carr be continued the custodian of the charter records of this Department.

XII. That the words, "wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier" should be eliminated from decision No. one, passed at the Fourteenth Annual Convention.

XIII. That hereafter the exemplification of the ritual shall not take place until after the election of officers.

XIV. That we endorse Past Department President Mary L. Carr for our next National President, and that we use every honorable means for her election at the Eighteenth National Convention at Chicago.



A. ROYAL.

Greetings to the G. A. R. Encampment.

DENVER, Colo., March 21, 1900.

Andrew Royal, Department Commander, G. A. R.:

GREETING—I have the honor to extend to you, and through you to the Twenty-first Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colorado and Wyoming, the fraternal greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps, now in Convention assembled, and to submit to you the following report of our membership, financial standing, and amount of relief extended during the fiscal year ending March 20, 1900:

Number of Corps.....	44
Number of members.....	1,633
Cash expended in relief.....	\$1,206 66
Cash expended in Department for relief.....	75 00
Total cash.....	\$ 1,281 66
Value of relief other than money.....	2,250 95
Turned over to Posts.....	184 60
Total relief.....	\$ 3,717 21
Cash contributed to Colorado Soldiers' Home.....	116 28
Cash contributed to Wyoming Soldiers' Home.....	38 50
Contributions for Memorial Day in the South.....	3 50
Contributions to National Council of Women.....	13 68
Contributions to Andersonville Prison fund.....	3 05
Contributions to National W. R. C. Home at Madison, O....	20 07
Contributions to other funds.....	38 00
Total for relief and contributions.....	\$ 3,950 29
Number of soldiers assisted.....	217
Total number assisted.....	871
Cash balance in Relief fund of Corps.....	\$ 1,009 97
Cash balance in General fund of Corps.....	1,769 43

Total..... \$ 2,779 40
Total value of Corps property..... \$ 7,253 52

A very great work of relief has been performed in way of ministrations to the sick and dying which have values that cannot be estimated.

Again we renew our pledge of loyalty, and ask the continued confidence and support of the Grand Army of the Republic, fully appreciating the relation we sustain as an auxiliary organization.

I fully appreciate and desire to thank you, as the representative of the Grand Army, for the many courtesies shown our organization during the past year.

With best wishes that your Encampment may be a pleasant and harmonious one,

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
 Department President.

General Orders.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., May 8, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS } No. 1. }

I. Having been elected President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, at the Fifteenth Department Convention, held in Denver, May 3, 4 and 5, I hereby assume command, and while I appreciate the confidence reposed in me, I fully realize the great responsibility committed to my trust, and will endeavor, with the earnest co-operation of each member in the Department, to perform the duties to the best of my ability.

II. Headquarters are hereby established at Cripple Creek, Colo., where all comrades as well as members of the Order will be made welcome.

III. Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek, Colo., has been appointed Secretary. All quarterly reports, per capita tax, and communications relating to records, charter fees, must be sent to her address, 137 East Carr avenue, Cripple Creek, Colo.

IV. All Corps supplies must be ordered on requisition blanks from Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, 4151 Gray street, Denver, Colo.

V. The following is a Roster of the Department officers, elected for the ensuing year.

Department President—Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek, Colo.

Senior Vice President—Sara B. C. Stephenson, Ft. Collins, Colo.

Junior Vice President—Miss Sadie Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Treasurer—Mrs. Clara Rapp, Denver, Colo.

Chaplain—Charlotte Coe, Golden, Colo.

Executive Board—Chairman, Alice T. Smith, Cripple Creek, Colo.;
 Olive McKee, Cripple Creek, Colo., Marian E. Kelley, Rawlins, Wyo.,
 Emma D. Adams, Boulder, Colo., Mary A. Selleck, Denver, Colo.

Delegates to Seventeenth National Convention, Philadelphia, Pa.:

Delegate at Large—Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyo.

First Delegate—Jennie B. Woodruff, Amethyst, Colo.

Second Delegate—Arabella C. Johnson, Ft. Morgan, Colo.

Alternate at Large—Miss Tucker, Pueblo, Colo.

First Alternate—Miss Raynie Hobart, Denver, Colo.

Second Alternate—Lizzie McDonald, Aspen, Colo.

The following appointments have been made:

Secretary—Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek, Colo.

Inspector—Irene DeToliver, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Counselor—Lucy M. Campbell, Denver, Colo.

Patriotic Instructor- Ida M. Fallis, Grand Junction.

Press Correspondent- Hester W. Hartzell, Denver, Colo.

These officers will be respected and obeyed accordingly.

VI. The following Auditing Committee has been selected: Chairman, Alice T. Smith; Olive McKee and Mary A. Selleck.

VII. Corps Chaplains will forward Memorial Day reports immediately to Department Chaplain Charlotte Coe, Golden, Colo.

Corps Presidents are earnestly requested to see that they are forwarded not later than June 10.

VIII. Once more the grim messenger has saddened the hearts and homes of our loved members. Past Department President Mary L. Carr and daughter, Mrs. Sue McGuire, have been called to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father, BYRON L. CARR, Past Commander of this Department, G. A. R., who was called to his eternal home April 21, at Mineral Wells, Texas.

This Department mourns with the Grand Army the loss of this true comrade and friend of the Woman's Relief Corps, and extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

"Gone from storm into sunshine:
Gone from darkness into light."

IX. The Department Password accompanies these General Orders.

By command of

Official:

STELLA A. KYLE,

Department Secretary.

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., May 8, 1899.

MEMORIAL ORDERS.

Once more we approach the day hallowed to the memories of our Soldier dead, and let me remind all members of the Order of their sacred duty in the proper observance of the day, and lend their assistance in making this Memorial Day, May 30, 1899, an object lesson of patriotism, demonstrating to the world our love of country and the reverence in which we hold the memory of our heroes, who gave their lives a willing sacrifice for the preservation of the Union.

Many who participated in the ceremonies of one year ago are added to the list of those gone before, and loving hands will strew the fragrant blossoms of spring-time, bedewed with the falling tears of mourning hearts over their mounds.

The realities of a cruel war the past year, whereby many who went out in the beauty of early manhood will return no more, is a reminder of the increasing duties incumbent upon us in remembering them for the valor and patriotism displayed in sacrificing their lives for the liberty of humanity.

The Twentieth Annual Encampment, G. A. R., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the graves of the volunteers of the Spanish-American War, with those of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of the United States forces, shall hereafter have a flag placed upon them and be strewn with flowers in the same manner as the graves of the Veterans of the civil war on the regular Memorial Day of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Let each Corps prepare a special offering to the memory of the hero for whom its Post is named.

Remember the tribute and service to the unknown dead, by erecting an altar and placing the choicest flowers around the flag they died to save; so let us strew

"Roses for the blood they shed,
Rue for the pain and strife,
Lilies for the peace they made,
Immortelles for endless life,
Poppies for forgetfulness
Of the hate 'twixt Blue and Gray,
And over all, Forget-me-nots
For our heroes loved away."

By command of

Official:

STELLA A. KYLE,

Department Secretary.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
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134 West Eaton Ave.,

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., June 10, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 2. }

I. The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, held in Denver May 3, 4 and 5, was largely attended, and one of the most pleasant in the history of the Department.

National President Flo Jamison Miller and her daughter, Miss Zola, favored the Convention with their presence. Mrs. Miller endeared herself to all by her charming personality, and won the admiration of the comrades of the Grand Army, as well as the mem-

bers of the Order she represents, by her enthusiastic and patriotic addresses.

II. Headquarters of President are established at 131 West Eaton Avenue, Cripple Creek, to which all communications pertaining to decisions and questions of law should be addressed. Again, a cordial welcome will be accorded to all interested in the Order who favor headquarters with their presence.

III. The following are the decisions of the Fifteenth Annual Convention:

1. That, as the Relief fund is held sacred to assist only the old soldier and his dependent ones, our members should fully explain the objects of the Order to those seeking admission.
2. That each Corps purchase a copy of the chart of the Declaration of Independence and place it in their schools.
3. That the Inspectors instruct Corps which they inspect, if necessary, in making out correct reports.
4. That our President-elect use her influence to have at least one woman appointed a member of the Board of Soldiers' Home Commission.
5. That the Department President instruct the Press Correspondent regarding the periodicals to which Corps news is to be forwarded.
6. That the Department Press Correspondent be furnished subscriptions to the papers or magazines which she is required to supply with news.
7. That this Convention take some action whereby cottages may be established in this Department for the old comrade and his wife.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. Resolutions of sympathy were adopted by the Convention and forwarded to the families of late Commander-in-Chief Sexton, Past Department Commander Byron L. Carr and Hattie M. French, late matron of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Monte Vista.

2. To his Excellency, the Governor of the State of Colorado: The Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming send greeting.

WHEREAS, It has been the privilege of the officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps to annually set aside a committee to visit the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, In the report of this committee we are informed of the efficiency of the present Commandant, Colonel S. M. French; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we earnestly request your Excellency to retain Comrade French in the said position, in recognition of his able and efficient services and interest in the old comrades, inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista.

3. *Resolved*, That the thanks of the visiting delegates are hereby

tendered to M. M. Crocker Corps, No. 40, for the beautiful exemplification of the ritual, and to all the Corps of Denver for the hospitable manner in which we have been received; that the thanks of the entire Convention is extended to the press of the city, the hotels, and all others who have contributed towards the success of this, the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

4. The name of Stella Newman, Department Instituting and Installing officer, was inadvertently omitted from the list of officers in last General Orders. Her headquarters will be 2837 Lawrence street, Denver.

APPOINTMENTS.

1. Department Relief Committee—Chairman, Helen R. Eldridge, 3341 Lawrence street, Denver; Debra Moser, 784 Broadway, Denver; Anna B. Holliday, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.; Susie Searls, No. 8, Leadville, and Esther H. Randolph, No. 15, Greeley.

DEPARTMENT AIDES.

Adelia McCauley.....	Corps No. 1	Annie Adams.....	Corps No. 25
Julia Upson.....	" 2	Irene McLain.....	" 26
Lydia T. Ellison.....	" 4	Kate O'Brien.....	" 27
Eile Tripp.....	" 5	Hattie Lewis.....	" 28
Annie M. Miller.....	" 6	Olive A. Killin.....	" 29
Belle Rawson.....	" 8	Nellie Teft.....	" 30
Minnie Haas.....	" 9	Anna E. Babbitt.....	" 31
Mary E. Miller.....	" 11	Ellen Wheatley.....	" 32
Nellie Crump.....	" 12	Lillian Gardner.....	" 33
O. L. Donnell.....	" 13	Emma J. Mellette ..	" 35
Emma Collins.....	" 14	Ella E. Derby.....	" 36
Clementine S. Hawes ..	" 15	Melia Newton.....	" 37
Nellie Guthrie.....	" 16	Lou Baker.....	" 39
Amy Young.....	" 17	Louise Harding.....	" 40
Lizzie Smith.....	" 19	Mary J. Fritz.....	" 41
Lizzie Reals.....	" 20	Melissa J. Finley....	" 42
Minnie Macarey.....	" 21	Martha E. Derbyshire	" 43
Mary C. Gortner.....	" 23	Ida A. Eagleton.....	" 45

Each officer above named will report to Headquarters her acceptance of the honor conferred, and procure her badge through the Treasurer of her Corps.

2. The duties of the Aides are clearly defined in Rules and Regulations, Chapter 3, Article 6, Section 12. Let each one accepting the office prove herself a valuable assistant to the Department President.

3. The Roll of Honor will be continued as established by my predecessors.

4. Quarterly Report blanks for the second quarter accompany these General Orders, and attention of Corps Presidents is called to see that they are correctly made out and forwarded before the 5th of July.

5. All money orders and drafts for per capita tax **MUST** be made payable to Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, and forwarded, with

reports, to Department Secretary Stella A. Kyle, 137 East Carr avenue, Cripple Creek.

6. Special attention of Corps Presidents is called to blank "OO," which must be filled out properly and forwarded to the Department Secretary, with the quarterly reports, by July 5th.

7. In accordance with National General Orders No. 6, Corps Presidents are requested to avoid, if possible, having any delinquent members this quarter. Let us increase our number by reinstating the fifty-three suspended members reported in last quarter's reports:

8. Not one Corps was delinquent last quarter. Let every Corps be as prompt this quarter in sending in their reports.

9. The noble work of the Department Relief Committee of last year, of which Ella Byers was chairman, is worthy of special mention. Let each member of the present committee strive to be as faithful and earnest in this Christian work of love.

10. Corps Presidents are requested to appoint a Press Correspondent, if they have not already done so.

11. All matters of interest pertaining to the Corps to be forwarded to Department Press Correspondent, Hester W. Hartzell, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver.

12. The attention of the chairman of Patriotic Teaching in each Corps is called to the proper observance of the admission of Colorado and Wyoming as States into the Union.

13. In obedience to the suggestion of the National Patriotic Instructor, let each Corps in the Department prepare special exercises and celebrate the event on their respective dates of admission: That of Colorado on July 4, Wyoming July 11. Special attention is called to decision No. 2, as promulgated in these General Orders, as an appropriate occasion for the presentation of the chart of the Declaration of Independence to the public schools. Let each chairman send a report of the entertainment to Ida M. Fallis, Patriotic Instructor, Grand Junction, Colorado.

14. Department Password was sent with first General Orders. Any Corps not receiving the same will notify headquarters.

15. The sympathy of this Department is extended to our sister, Past Department Instituting and Installing Officer Sarah E. Waldo, and family, in the sad bereavement they recently sustained in the loss of their son, Loren W. Waldo, whose life went out battling alone with the elements in a frigid, cold and severe storm, having only a mantle of snow for a winding sheet.

By command of

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 131 West Eaton Ave.,

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., June 30, 1869.

GENERAL ORDERS, {
 No. 3.

I. The Seventeenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., the first week in September. Arrangements for transportation and for Department Headquarters at Philadelphia have not been fully completed. Full information in regard to the same will be given in future General Orders.

It is hoped that many members of the Order will avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to visit the Quaker City and the many historic points of interest surrounding it.

All representatives and others who wish accommodations with the delegation will notify headquarters as early as possible.

II. Corps Presidents are again reminded to be prompt in forwarding their Reports for the quarter ending June 30, and the inspection report, Form "OO," to Department Secretary, Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek, not later than July 5. Make a special effort to comply with this request.

III. The Corps are to be congratulated on their efforts in the general and impressive observance of Memorial Day, as indicated by the Department Chaplain's report and the interest manifested by the citizens throughout the Department.

IV. The following additional appointments are announced:

SENIOR AIDE AND CHIEF OF STAFF.

Ida Critchell, 524 Quincy Building, Denver.

SPECIAL AIDES.

Mary Warner, Corps No. 37, Buena Vista, Colo.

Alice Hatfield, Corps No. 23, Canon City, Colo.

Loretta E. Mummah, Corps No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Mary A. Hader, Corps No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Effie V. B. Aldrich, Corps No. 43, Monte Vista, Colo.

AIDES.

Jessie A. E. Laughlin, Corps No. 24, Evans, Colo.

Fannie Bennett, Corps No. 38, Loveland, Colo.

C. C. Weatherby, Corps No. 34, La Junta, Colo.

Aides accepting the appointment will notify these headquarters, and commissions will be forwarded.

Badges are procured through the Corps Treasurer.

All duties performed as defined in R. and R., chap. 3, art. 6, sec. 12, must be reported to Chief Aide Ida Critchell.

V. Corps responding with contributions for the following funds:

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE SOUTH.

Winfield Scott, No. 19.....	\$2 00
Sedgwick, No. 3.....	1 00
Mulligan, No. 22.....	50
Total.....	\$3 50

W. R. C. HOME, MADISON, OHIO.

Grand Junction, No. 17.....	\$2 00
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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

Casper W. Collins, No. 13.....	\$ 90
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VI. National General Orders, No. 8, accompanies these General Orders. Attention of Corps Treasurers is called to paragraph 8, contained therein.

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VII. Once more we are called upon to mourn the loss of an esteemed sister, who was called to a higher realm June 18th, Lulu I. Goold, charter member Victor Corps, No. 41.

Her virtues were many; her faults few.

The sympathy of this Department is extended to the members of her Corps, and the bereaved husband and family.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

By command of

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Department President.

STELLA A. KYLE,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
134 West Eaton Ave.,
CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., Aug. 12, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

I. Department Commander A. Royal, G. A. R., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, has extended a cordial invitation to the Department President, and through her to the delegates and visitors of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department, to accompany him and his staff on the official train to Philadelphia. He has also accorded the use of Grand Army headquarters, rooms 57 and 58, Continental hotel, as joint headquarters for both organizations.

Following is Commander Royal's order:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
G. A. R., 105 GRAND OPERA HOUSE, }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 1. }

PUEBLO, COLO., August 8, 1899.

I. The Thirty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will meet at Philadelphia September 4th to 9th, 1899.

The official train of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, carrying Department Commander, accompanied by his Staff, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid, will start from Pueblo, Colo., at 1:10 p. m., on September 1st, going by the Denver & Rio Grande R. R. to Denver; will leave Denver at 9:45 p. m. of the same day by the Union Pacific R. R. to Kansas City; by the Chicago & Alton R. R. to Chicago; by the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. to Philadelphia, arriving at Philadelphia at 3:09 p. m., September 4th.

The official train will be made up of regular Pullman sleeping cars, chair cars, and, if sufficient number desire, a tourist sleeper will be run through from Pueblo to Philadelphia.

Comrades and others from the South and West desiring to take the official train at Pueblo or Colorado Springs can secure sleeping car, tourist sleeper or chair car accommodation by writing to the Assistant Adjutant General at these headquarters.

Comrades from the West and North desiring to join the official train at Denver will please address George Ady, Agent Union Pacific R. R., Denver, Colo., stating what accommodations they desire, whether chair car, sleeping car or tourist sleeper.

It is earnestly desired that all persons wishing to take advantage of the through cars to Philadelphia on the official train of this Department will notify the Assistant Adjutant General as soon as possible.

The rate is \$45.85 for the round trip from Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Denver, Georgetown, Boulder, Fort Collins, Greeley and Cheyenne, and from other points proportionately low.

Tickets are good by diverse routes, with stop over East of Pittsburgh and at Washington, can be secured by payment of from two to four dollars higher than one way rate. Tickets will be on sale throughout the Department of Colorado and Wyoming from August 31, to September 2, and good to return from Philadelphia up to September 12. If desired, tickets can be extended to leave Philadelphia Sept. 30, by depositing the ticket with joint agent at Philadelphia and paying a fee of 50 cents.

The additional fare for sleeping car accommodations will be \$11.00 for a double berth in Standard sleeper from Pueblo, Colorado Springs, or Denver; in tourist sleeper \$4.50 for double berth; chair car accommodations no additional charge.

II. The headquarters of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, including the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A.

R., Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid of S. of V., will be in rooms 57 and 58, Continental hotel, S. E. corner of Ninth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia.

All persons attending the National Encampment from this Department are expected to report at headquarters.

It is hoped there will be a large attendance at the Thirty-third National Encampment from this Department, and that we will be able to secure the National Encampment for 1900.

For information regarding hotel accommodations address Mrs. Ellen H. Walton, chairman W. R. C. committee, 2016 N. 7th street, Philadelphia.

All delegates and alternates who are unable to attend the National Convention will notify the Department Secretary by August 15, that all vacancies may be filled.

Delegates and members must procure the National password from their Corps President, and wear the badge of the Order, that they may be properly admitted to the sessions of the Convention.

As the delegates have been honored by this Department, it is their duty to be present at every session and assist in legislating for the good of the Order.

III. Department Headquarters will be closed from September 1 to the 25th. The Treasurer's office will be open, where all orders for supplies will receive prompt attention.

IV. The report of the Department Secretary, for the quarter ending June 30, shows a membership of 1,609. Four Corps, with a total membership of 97, were delinquent. While we have made a net gain of 61 members, it is with much reluctance that we announce 53 suspended members. Again we appeal to the Corps Presidents to see that the Secretary and Treasurer's reports agree in every particular, and forward both with the per capita to Department Secretary, Stella A. Kyle. Money orders, drafts, etc., for per capita tax *must* be made payable to Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp.

ROLL OF HONOR.

For the quarter ending June 30, 1899.

Farragut, No. 1.	Mulligan, No. 22.
Upton, No. 2.	J. W. Anderson, No. 23.
Sedgwick, No. 3.	W. T. Sherman, No. 24.
Colorado Springs, No. 4.	Pfeiffer, No. 25.
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.	Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26.
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8.	Elbert County, No. 29.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.	A. J. Smith, No. 31.
North Fork, No. 11.	Longmont, No. 32.
Casper W. Collins, No. 13.	Richardson, No. 33.
Veteran, No. 14.	Kilpatrick, No. 34.
U. S. Grant, No. 15.	Akron, No. 36.
Grand Junction, No. 17.	E. M. Stanton, No. 37.
R. A. Cameron, No. 18.	Pike's Peak, No. 39.
Winfield Scott, No. 19.	M. M. Crocker, No. 40.
Custer, No. 20.	Geo. Washington, No. 42.
Reno, No. 21.	Joe Hooker, No. 43.

Corps having the largest membership:

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	95	J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	86
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	82	Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.....	75

The largest amount in cash expended for relief:

Colorado Springs, No. 4..	\$99 25	Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.....	\$34 60
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8....	28 00	M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	20 00

VI. The following Corps, as reported by Lou Stuart Wadsworth, contributed to the National Council of Women:

Upton, No. 2.....	\$1 00	Winfield Scott, No. 19.....	\$2 00
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.....	65	A. J. Smith, No. 31.....	25
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8....	1 50	Maj. Anderson, No. 35.....	1 00
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	1 00	Pike's Peak, No. 39.....	1 00
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	50		
Total.....			\$8 90

VII. The following additional Aides are hereby announced:

Anna M. Hammond, Corps No. 3, Durango, Colo.; Matilda Hotchkiss, Corps No. 18, Fort Morgan, Colo.

Several of the aides appointed have not notified us of their acceptance. If they do not wish to accept the honor conferred, Presidents will recommend other names, as we desire to have a competent aide in every Corps to assist the Department officers in the performance of their duties as defined in R. and R., chapter 3, article 6, section 12, 1899 edition. Let each aide provide herself with a copy of this edition and enter upon her duties, reporting the performance of the same each quarter to Chief Aide Ida Critchell, 524 Quincy Building, Denver.

VIII. At the request of the chairman of the Legislative Committee G. A. R., the following Legislative Committee is appointed:

Lucy M. Campbell, Chairman.

Ella L. C. Dwinell,	Emma A. Hughes,
Mary L. Carr,	Mary Ellis,
Sarah A. Tucker,	Effie V. B. Aldrich,
Nancy E. Cowell,	Helen Clark.

IX. Jim Bowie Corps, No. 30, has suffered a severe financial loss by losing their funds in the recent bank failure at Amethyst. The sincere sympathy of this Department is extended to the worthy members of this Corps, and with the consent of the Department Council the Department President requests the Corps of this Department to send a contribution to assist them. All remittances to be forwarded to Department Treasurer Clara Rapp, 4148 Gray street, Denver, Colo.

It is gratifying to the President to have such uniform and loving expressions of sympathy and good will from the members of the Council, and bespeak for the members of the various Corps the same support by a willing and generous response to assist one of their number so unfortunate.

X. Corps Press Correspondents are again urgently requested to forward all items of interest pertaining to their Corps to Department Press Correspondent, Hester W. Hartzell, that we may hear from

you through the columns of *The National Standard*, *National Tribune*, and other W. R. C. periodicals.

The President acknowledges the receipt of *The Searchlight* published by Mrs. Anna Heacock of Parsons, Kansas, and recommends it to all W. R. C. members interested in the teaching of patriotism as one of the bright lights in W. R. C. literature. Encourage its publication by your subscription; price, fifty cents a year.

XI. The Department Journals of the Fifteenth Annual Convention have been mailed to each Corps President and delegate. Members may procure copies from the Department Treasurer by forwarding five cents to cover postage.

XII. Department Headquarters returns thanks for a copy of the proceedings of the Twentieth Annual Encampment, G. A. R., Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

XIII. National General Orders No. 9 were forwarded promptly to Corps Presidents on receipt of the same.

XIV. The inspection of Corps will take place during the months of September, October and November. Assistant inspectors and assignments will be announced as soon as arrangements are perfected.

XV. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, sympathize with the veterans of the Grand Army of this Department in the deplorable condition existing at the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, and hope that the patriotic and charity-loving citizens of this State will come to the rescue and be prompt in rendering the assistance needed. Let each member of the W. R. C. lend her influence in this worthy project.

XVI. The President rejoices with the mothers and members of this Department in the home-coming of the sons and brothers of the Colorado and Wyoming volunteers from the Philippines. Every one is only waiting to give a royal welcome and reception in return for the noble and honorable record of bravery achieved in the late war.

Since last General Orders the following worthy members have been called to their long home:

Nettie Sherbondy, Winfield Scott Corps, No. 19, died July 23, 1899.

Past Department Instituting and Installing Officer, Mary U. Calvert, Veteran Corps, No. 14, died July 24, 1899.

The sympathy of this Department is extended to the families of the deceased and members of their respective Corps.

"Let each loss that leaves earth dreary
Make the hope of Heaven more dear."

By command of

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

134 West Eaton Ave.,

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., Nov. 3, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 5. }

I. The Seventeenth National Convention, held in Philadelphia, September 6 and 7, proved to be a pleasant and profitable session to those who had the pleasure of attending.

The Department of Colorado and Wyoming was represented by the Department President, Past Department President Fannie D. W. Hardin, and, in the absence of all elected delegates and alternates, Emily B. Cohen and Minnie Beetham of Greeley were selected as delegates.

The thanks of the Department President are tendered Department Commander Royal and his staff for the many courtesies extended.

II. The annual election of officers shall take place at the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting, if necessary to conclude the election.

The election of delegates and alternates to the Sixteenth Department Convention, to be held in Denver, will take place at the same time. The ratio of representation is one delegate and one alternate for every 20 members in good standing, according to the quarterly reports of September 30, 1899, and one delegate and one alternate for the major fraction thereof.

Each Corps is entitled to one delegate and one alternate, whatever its membership.

Corps Presidents will read Article 7, Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, before proceeding with the election. Full instructions for conducting the election will be found on page five of the Service Book.

III. The newly elected officers will select the installing officer. Should a member of another Corps be selected, the name is reported to the Department Secretary, when the detail will be made by the Department President.

The services of the Department I. and I. Officer, Mrs. Stella A. Newman, are recommended, owing to her efficiency in conducting the installation services.

The installation of officers shall take place at the first regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for that purpose. Joint installation with Posts is recommended.

Two election-return blanks, "Form I," will be forwarded to each Corps President, who will deliver them to the installing officer. These blanks are to be filled out according to Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Article 2, Section 1, and one copy to be forwarded to the

Department Secretary, the other to the Department I. and I. Officer, Stella A. Newman, 2837 Lawrence street, Denver, Colorado.

IV. The Department Secretary reports, at the close of the third quarter, 1,558 members in good standing and two delinquent Corps, with a total membership of 52. Although we have a net gain of 54 members, yet we regret to report a loss of 71 members by suspension. Let each Aide look up these delinquent members in their respective Corps, and have them reinstated, if possible, during the present quarter. Corps Presidents, with but few exceptions, are to be commended for their correct reports and promptness in forwarding the same to the Secretary.

Corps reporting the largest memberships:

23—J. W. Anderson.....	94	4—Colorado Springs.....	92
27—Nathaniel Lyon.....	88	6—George G. Meade.....	76
14—Veteran.....	61	40—M. M. Crocker.....	60

Corps expending the largest amount of relief during the quarter:

6—George G. Meade.....	\$45 05	40—M. M. Crocker.....	\$38 00
25—Pfeiffer.....	25 15	21—Reno.....	25 00
13—C. W. Collins.....	22 10	8—Garfield.....	20 00

Roll of honor for third quarter:

	No.		No.
Farragut.....	1	Mulligan.....	22
Upton.....	2	J. W. Anderson.....	23
Sedgwick.....	3	W. T. Sherman.....	24
Colorado Springs.....	4	Pfeiffer.....	25
T. H. Dodd.....	5	George H. Thomas.....	26
George G. Meade.....	6	Nathaniel Lyon.....	27
James A. Garfield.....	8	Ellsworth.....	28
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	A. J. Smith.....	31
North Fork.....	11	McPherson.....	32
Gunnison.....	12	Kilpatrick.....	34
C. W. Collins.....	13	Akron.....	36
Veteran.....	14	E. M. Stanton.....	37
U. S. Grant.....	15	A. E. Burnside.....	38
Wadsworth.....	16	Pike's Peak.....	39
Grand Junction.....	17	M. M. Crocker.....	40
R. A. Cameron.....	18	George Washington.....	42
Custer.....	20	Joe Hooker.....	43
Reno.....	21	J. C. Fremont.....	45

V. The Treasurer's reports show the following statistics:

Expended for relief, third quarter.....	\$333 27
Estimated value of relief, other than money.....	264 95
Turned over to Posts.....	50 00

VI. Thanks are due to the following Corps for their ready response to the Jim Bowie fund:

Sedgwick, No. 3.....	\$ 1 00
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	1 00
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.....	5 00
James A. Garfield, No. 8.....	5 00
Casper W. Collins, No. 13.....	5 00
Veteran, No. 14.....	1 00

U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	5 00
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	5 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	1 00
Pfeiffer, No. 25.....	2 00
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	1 00
A. J. Smith, No. 31.....	2 00
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	2 00

Total\$36 00

The following donations for the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, Colorado:

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa.....	\$25 00
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, Ft. Collins.....	8 33
J. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek.....	5 00

Total.....\$38 33

Andersonville Prison fund: Colorado Springs, No. 4.. .50

National W. R. C. Home: Colorado Springs, No. 4... 1.00

VII. The Department Aides are urged to more energetic work during the coming winter months, and report all duties performed to Chief Aide Ida Critchell, 524 Quincy Building, Denver, Colorado.

VIII. Once more we call the attention of Press Correspondents to forward all items of interest to Hester W. Hartzell, Department Press Correspondent, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver, Colorado.

IX. Myron W. Reed Corps, No. 7, auxiliary to Myron W. Reed Post, No. 108, Rifle, Colorado, was instituted, with a charter membership of sixteen, by Department Patriotic Instructor Ida M. Fallis, of Grand Junction. Mrs. Nettie Marker, President.

X. On account of a change of residence, address all communications to the Department President to No. 122 Florissant street, Cripple Creek.

XI. National General Orders No. 1, accompanied by National password, was sent to Corps Presidents October 3. Any one not receiving the same will please notify these headquarters.

National General Orders No. 2 accompany these General Orders.

Special attention is called to decision 4.

By command of

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

Official:

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
122 Florissant street.

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., Dec. 12, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 6. }

I. The newly elected officers shall be installed at a regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for that purpose during the month.

Joint installation with Posts and Sons of Veterans are earnestly recommended.

II. Installing Officers should exercise great care in carefully reporting the names of Officers on blank, Form L, especially the names of President, Secretary and Treasurer, Delegates and Alternates, as the roster for the coming year is compiled from these reports.

III. Attention is called to the following decisions of this Department:

1. Decision 16: That on Election Returns to the Department Secretary be written the address of the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

2. Decision 21: That hereafter in making out Election Returns Past Corps Presidents transferred be reported by the Corps in which they hold membership as transferred from the Corps to which they formerly belonged, and their names be dropped from the roll of the Corps from which they were transferred.

3. Decision 25: That installing officers be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of the Corps officers, type-written, if possible, the names given in full and properly spelled.

4. Corps Presidents for the ensuing year will see that the reports are correct before affixing their signatures on the outside fold of Election Returns.

IV. Corps are expected to defray expenses of the Installing Officer if a member from another Corps be selected.

V. Election Return Blanks, Form L, and Corps Treasurer's bonds were forwarded with Quarterly Report blanks for the quarter ending December 31st.

The Treasurer-elect will file her bond with the Corps President before being installed.

VI. The attention of Corps Presidents is called to their duty in promptly forwarding quarterly reports to Department Secretary immediately after last meeting in the quarter, that they may be received by January 5th, 1900, thereby gaining a place on the Roll of Honor, and enabling Headquarters to receive credit for every member belonging to this Department at National Headquarters. The two Corps reported suspended last quarter have been reinstated. Let every Corps be on time this quarter, with no suspended members.

VII. The inspectors report favorably as to the interest manifested in the work throughout the Department.

VIII. Attention of Corps Presidents is again called to decision 41, Sixteenth National Convention:

"That Corps Presidents destroy all rituals in possession of the Corps prior to the January edition of 1897."

Every Corps that has not provided itself with the rituals of 1899 edition must procure one, at least, that they may properly perform the flag work.

IX. It is recommended that each Corps purchase a red book for the use of the officers especially; by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.

X. National General Orders No. 3 and Circular containing "Information concerning gold Relief Corps badges," accompany these General Orders. Also circular letter No. 3.

XI. At the first regular meeting after installation, the Corps Presidents will appoint a Patriotic Instructor and report her name to the Department Patriotic Instructor, Ida M. Fallis, Grand Junction, Colorado. Circular letter No. 3 will instruct her as to the duties of the office.

XII. Circular letter No. 4, issued by Chief Aide Ida Critchell to the Department Aides, will be sent to that respective officer for her instruction. Information has been received that several of the Department Aides have removed from the locality of their Corps. Presidents are requested to recommend some member for appointment who can attend to the duties.

XIII. The Secretary of each Corps is requested to send the names of deceased members since May, 1899, with date of death and official rank, to Department Chaplain Charlotte Coe, Golden, Colo.

XIV. Specimen sheet of cash book and ledger will be furnished to Corps by Department Treasurer at a cost of four cents per copy. Treasurers who do not thoroughly understand keeping the books will find them of great assistance.

XV. Press Correspondents are requested to forward items of interest pertaining to installation of officers to the Department Press Correspondent, Hester W. Hartzell, 213 South Twelfth street, Denver, Colo.

The editors of the *National Standard* kindly publish all W. R. C. news gratuitously. So let each Corps show their appreciation by reporting all matters of interest, that we may know the fires of patriotism still burn in your midst.

XVI. Attention is called to paragraph 3, National General Orders No. 3: All Corps who have not contributed to this worthy institution, maintained solely by the Woman's Relief Corps, are urged to respond with a small sum at least. Send all contributions to Department Treasurer Clara Rapp.

XVII. Printed instructions to Auditing Committees will be sent

to each Corps free of charge. Corps Presidents will see that they are pasted in back of Treasurer's cash book.

XVIII. The Department President had the great pleasure of visiting the Soldiers' Homes at Monte Vista, Colo., and Cheyenne, Wyo., recently, and found both in an excellent condition and the comrades comfortable. Col. Shaw, commandant of the Home at Monte Vista, is desirous that the Corps furnish a hospital flag for that building; in addition to this, the Corps will continue their contributions for current literature and library, which is greatly appreciated by the comrades. Gifts of cushions, art decorations in the way of pictures will be very acceptable.

General Stitzer, commandant of the Soldier's Home at Cheyenne, Wyoming, wishes the Corps to furnish the Home with a phonograph for the entertainment of the comrades.

Corps contributing to the above funds will be prompt in forwarding donations to Department Treasurer Clara Rapp, 4148 Gray street, Denver, Colo., who is appointed a committee of one to make the selection.

XIX. The following contributions have been received for the following funds:

Jim Bowie fund—T. H. Dodd Corps, \$3.00.

Colorado Soldiers' Home—J. W. Anderson Corps, \$4.00, for "Century Magazine."

Wyoming Soldiers' Home—Casper W. Collins, \$10.00, for phonograph.

XX. The joyous Christmas-tide is near at hand. Let each Corps strive to make someone happy, who is unfortunate, by a suitable gift. It is our privilege and mission to render comfort to the needy veteran and his dependent ones. Their numbers are growing less every year. Let us do our duty by assisting where opportunity affords. To each member of this large organization we would send Christmas greetings and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

By command of

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., Feb. 3, 1900.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 7. }

I. The Department President extends fraternal greeting to the Corps officers who have just entered upon the discharge of their duties for the year of 1900:

Let us individually assist the officers by faithfully attending the meetings and taking an active interest in all that pertains to the good of the Order. The success and prosperity of a Corps depends upon the faithfulness of its members.

II. The Sixteenth Annual Convention of this Department, Woman's Relief Corps, will convene in Denver, March 21, 22 and 23, 1900. Additional information will be given in future General Orders.

III. Corps Installing officers will forward election returns immediately. Several have failed to send in their reports, and the roster for the coming Convention cannot be completed without them.

IV. Corps Presidents, in accordance with requests already made in General Orders No. 6, will appoint an Assistant Patriotic Instructor and place in their hands Circular Letter No. 3, and the accompanying blank, Form V.

Owing to the early date of the Convention they will fill out the blanks and forward, not later than March 5, to the Department Patriotic Instructor, Ida M. Fallis, Grand Junction, Colo.

V. In accordance with decision No. 32 of the Seventeenth National Convention, the attention of Corps and Patriotic Instructors is called to the observance of Lincoln's birthday, February 12, by arranging a suitable program, commemorative of the life of this illustrious patriot and martyr, whose name is loved and revered by every true American citizen.

VI. February 22 is the birthday of Washington, the designer of the American flag. Encourage the children by your presence at their exercises in the public schools, a custom adopted in memory of the "Father of His Country."

VII. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the quarter ending Dec. 31 have been forwarded to the National Secretary. Three Corps were unfortunately delinquent, incurring a loss to the Department of 66 members; suspended members, 75. The standing of the Department as reported: Members in good standing, 1,541; cash expended for relief during quarter, \$526.82; estimated value of relief other than money, \$1,312.95; total number of persons assisted, 364.

VIII. Corps having largest membership:

J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	104	Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.....	72
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	97	M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	64
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	91	George H. Thomas, No. 26..	61

Corps expending greatest amount of cash for relief:

Colorado Springs, No. 4.	\$103 20	Veteran, No. 14.	\$ 36 00
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.	51 95	Richardson, No. 33.	31 96
James A. Garfield, No. 8.	40 00	George H. Thomas, No. 26	29 30

IX. Roll of honor for fourth quarter:

	No.		No.
Farragut.	1	J. W. Anderson	23
Upton	2	W. T. Sherman	21
Sedgwick	3	Pfeiffer	25
Colorado Springs.	4	George H. Thomas	26
T. H. Dodd	5	Nathaniel Lyon	27
George G. Meade	6	Ellsworth	28
M. W. Reed	7	Elbert Co.	29
James A. Garfield.	8	Jim Bowie	30
J. F. Reynolds	9	A. J. Smith	31
North Fork	11	McPherson	32
Gunnison	12	Richardson	33
C. W. Collins	13	Akron	36
Veteran	14	E. M. Stanton	37
U. S. Grant	15	A. E. Burnside	38
Wadsworth	16	Pike's Peak	39
Grand Junction	17	M. M. Crocker	40
R. A. Cameron	18	George Washington	42
Custer	20	Joe Hooker	43
Reno	21	J. C. Fremont	45
Mulligan	22		

X. The following contributions have been received since last General Orders were issued:

Anderson Prison fund, Colorado Springs, No. 4, 25 cents.

Elizabeth Ross fund, Reno, No. 21, 25 cents.

NATIONAL W. R. C. HOME, MADISON, OHIO.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40.	\$ 2 00	J. W. Anderson, No. 23.	\$ 2 00
Colorado Springs, No. 4.	1 00	Mattie J. McDonald, No. 23	1 00
Custer, No. 20	1 00	Jim Bowie, No. 30.	2 50
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26.	5 00	Gunnison, No. 12.	1 00
Reno, No. 21.	57		
		Total	\$16 07

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME, CHEYENNE, WYO.

C. W. Collins, No. 13	\$10 00	Jim Bowie, No. 30.	\$ 1 00
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.	10 00	R. A. Cameron, No. 18	1 00
Custer, No. 20	10 00	W. T. Sherman, No. 24.	2 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.	1 00		
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26.	2 50	Total	\$37-50

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME, MONTE VISTA, COLO.

James A. Garfield, No. 8.	\$25 00	Farragut, No. 1.	\$ 2 00
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26.	2 50	Reno, No. 21.	3 00
Grand Junction, No. 17	2 00	Jim Bowie, No. 30.	2 70
Veteran, No. 14.	10 00	Gunnison, No. 12.	2 00
North Fork, No. 11	10 00	George Washington, No. 42	3 00
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.	2 00	Upton, No. 2.	3 00
		Total	\$67 20

The Department President wishes to thank the Corps for their prompt and generous response to the above calls. In every instance you have been faithful to your obligation.

XI. A gramophone has been purchased and forwarded to the Wyoming Home at a cost of \$31.00. The balance will be used for current literature. In a recent letter from General Stitzer, Commandant, he expressed his appreciation and that of the comrades to the Corps for their kind remembrance.

The funds for the Colorado Home will be used for a flag for the hospital building and good modern books for the library.

XII. The Department Treasurer has in stock in her office:

Small journals, price.....	\$.40	Small roll books	\$.40
Small ledgers, price .....	.50	Small silk flags, 8x12 inches	.15
Small cash books.....	.50		

These are used for Convention salute. Also have black and white ballot balls at one cent each.

XIII. The following aides are hereby appointed: Ruth DePue, Upton, No. 2, vice Julia Upson, resigned; Jennie Colville, A. J. Smith, No. 31, vice Anna E. Babbitt, transferred; Annie B. Leimberger, J. W. Anderson, No. 23.

The Department Aides will forward their final reports not later than March 5 to Chief Aide Ida Critchell, 524 Quincy Building, Denver.

XIV. Corps Chaplains are requested to forward the names of deceased members during the year to Department Chaplain Charlotte Coe, Golden, Colo.

XV. The following names of deceased members have been reported to these headquarters:

Belinda C. Sargent, George G. Meade, No. 6, died July 2, 1899.

Nancy Fogg, A. E. Burnside, No. 38, died October 18, 1899.

Orpha E. Bacon, McPherson, No. 32, died November 30, 1899.

Fannie Burke, J. W. Anderson, No. 23, died Dec. 22, 1899.

Catherine Barker, Pike's Peak, No. 39, died November 27, 1899.

The loving sympathy of the Department is extended to the Corps and families of the deceased members.

The angel of death has entered the home circle of Past Department President Ella L. C. Dwinell, and removed therefrom her life companion, Comrade L. E. Dwinell. He had been a patient invalid for over two years, and it is comforting to remember that "He giveth His beloved sleep."

Also Department Senior Vice President Sarah B. C. Stephenson has suffered the loss of an affectionate brother.

The earnest sympathy of this Department is extended to our sisters in their affliction.

By command of

Official:

STELLA A. KYLE,

Department Secretary.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
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122 Florissant street.

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., March 1, 1900.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 8. }

I. The Sixteenth Department Convention will be held in Denver, March 21, 22 and 23, 1900, in Odd Fellows Hall, 1543 Champa street.

II. Department Headquarters will be established at the Albany Hotel, 17th and Stout streets, where all members of the Order will receive a cordial welcome.

III. The membership of the Convention will consist of Department officers, Past Department Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers, Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents and regularly elected delegates. In the absence of any delegate the first alternate will fill the vacancy. Credential cards sufficient for each Corps are enclosed with these Orders. Corps Presidents are requested to see that these cards are properly filled out and placed in the hands of those entitled to them; the President's card must be signed by the Senior Vice-President and Secretary.

IV. Delegates and all members of the Order desiring accommodations during the Convention will communicate with Mrs. Ella Byers, 2930 Arapahoe street, Denver, chairman of Committee on Accommodations. Hotel rates are announced as follows:

Room and board at the Albany for delegates, \$2.00 per day; Brown Palace, \$3.00 to \$5.00; St. James, \$2.00; Windsor, \$1.50; American, \$1.75; Markham, rooms only, \$1.00; private families, rooms, 50 cents per day

V. The railroads will make the usual reduction for the round trip from all points in the Department to Denver and return. Particulars in regard to rates and dates of sale will be advertised by the local agent.

Reception Committees will attend every train.

VI. The Credential Committee, consisting of Stella A. Kyle, chairman; Hester W. Hartzell and Angie C. Grove, will be at the Albany Hotel Tuesday afternoon, March 20, and at Convention Hall, Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. Representatives to the Convention will present their credentials immediately upon their arrival and secure delegates' badges.

VII. Convention will be called to order promptly at 9 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, March 21. Officers and delegates are expected to be in their seats at that hour, in order that we may proceed with the business of the Convention.

All members intending to visit Convention must procure the password from their Corps Presidents, as it can be obtained in no other way.

VIII. Officers and chairmen of committees whose duty it is to render a report to the Convention are requested to forward the same to these headquarters before March 15. Department officers who are unable to attend Convention must send books and badges in their possession at the same time.

IX. In order that the Department Treasurer may close up her accounts, Corps are requested to remit any sums due the Department and order all supplies needed before March 10.

All bills against the Department must be sent to the Department Secretary by the same date.

X. Resolutions and recommendations to be presented to the Convention must be filed with the Department Secretary by March 15.

XI. Owing to a delay in forwarding Assistant Patriotic Instructors' blanks, "Form V," the time has been extended to March 10 to fill out the same and forward the reports to Department Patriotic Instructor Ida M. Fallis, Grand Junction, Colorado.

XII. The Department Auditing Committee will meet at the Albany Hotel, Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The Department Council will meet at the same place at 4 p. m.

XIII. The Department President and staff, assisted by the Past Department Presidents, will hold a reception in the parlors of the Albany Hotel, Tuesday, from 8 to 10 p. m., to which all members of the Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, Ladies' Aid Society, and friends of the Orders are cordially invited. The Entertainment Committee are arranging Camp-fires and social affairs for the evenings of Convention days.

The Committee of Arrangements for the Convention is as follows: Chief of Staff, Ida Critchell; Department I. and I. Officer, Stella Newman; Mildred McKinsey, Farragut, No. 1; Sara J. Kimmins, Meade, No. 6; Susie Waters, Veteran, No. 14; Mary Mayo, Reno, No. 21; Eliza F. Le Fever, Crocker, No. 40; May E. Domm, Washington, No. 42, and the Department Aides of the Denver Corps.

XV. George G. Meade Corps, No. 6, will exemplify the ritual on the afternoon of the second day of the Convention.

XVI. Quarterly report blanks for first quarter accompany these Orders. Corps holding their last meeting in quarter before Convention will forward their reports and per capita tax to Department Secretary Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek, Colorado.

XVII. The attention of Corps Presidents is called to Decision 22, Seventeenth National Convention: "That each Corps contribute one-half cent per member for the quarter ending March 31st, 1900, to the Andersonville Prison-Fund."

XVIII. The Journals of the Seventeenth National Convention have been sent direct from the publisher, E. B. Stillings, to every Corps President. These are Corps property, and we recommend that every member read them carefully. Any Corps President failing to receive a copy will notify these headquarters.

XIX. Special attention is called to the Circular Letter from the Secretary of the W. R. C. Committee of National Council of Women. Corps Presidents will see that it is read at first regular meeting and forward all contributions through the Department Treasurer, as requested in circular.

XX. An interesting Circular Letter issued by the National Patriotic Instructor is forwarded to the Corps with these General Orders.

XXI. Special attention of Corps Treasurers is called to the enclosed new "Invoice," giving information of reduction of some supplies. They will file the same for reference.

Memorial Day Blank, "Form J," is also sent with quarterly reports.

XXII. The following contributions since last General Orders are hereby announced:

Andersonville Prison Fund--Colorado Springs No. 4, 50 cents; Sedgwick No. 3, 15 cents, and James A. Garfield, 30 cents. Total, 95 cents.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Cheyenne, Wyo.--R. A. Cameron No. 18, \$1.00.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Monte Vista, Colo.--M. M. Crocker No. 40, \$1.00; Sedgwick No. 3, \$1.50. Total, \$5.50.

XXIII. It is with sincere regret that we announce the serious illness of Department Treasurer Clara Rapp. It is hoped that she will be able to be present at the Convention and greet her many friends throughout the Department. The Department Secretary, who has been absent for several weeks on account of ill health, has returned greatly improved, and able to resume the duties of her office.

XXIV. National General Orders No. 5, announcing the death of Past National President, Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer, was forwarded to Corps Presidents immediately upon receiving them. Let each Corps in the Department comply with the request of the National President and hold suitable memorial services in honor of this worthy member of our Order and true friend of the Grand Army.

Circular Letter No. 1 from National Headquarters conveys the sad information to the Corps of this Department that another prominent comrade of the Grand Army has answered the last roll-call--Past Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill, of Lawrence, Mass. Let each Corps express by a vote their appreciation of the service rendered by this worthy comrade.

The sincere sympathy of this Department is extended to the families of the deceased and the Department of which they were honored members.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to Commander-in-Chief Shaw in the great bereavement that has come to him.

XXV. In closing this, my last official communication to the Corps of this Department, I wish to express my thanks to both officers

and members of our Order for the uniform kindness and consideration which has attended my administration. I also wish to express my sincere thanks to the Department Commander and the Assistant Adjutant General for the kindness extended at all times to this office. They have been ever ready to answer all questions promptly, and to give needed advice. To one and all, again I thank you.

By command of,

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO., Sept. 1, 1899.

CIRCULAR LETTER, }
No. 1. }

DEAR SIR AND COMRADES:—I take great pride and pleasure in calling your attention to the wonderful growth, influence and charitable work of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. That little band of loyal women, who, in 1883, was organized in Denver as a National Woman's Relief Corps, has grown into a strong organization of more than 140,000 loyal women, with Corps in every State and Territory, but one—and yet there is room for more. Every Post should have a Corps, and it is with regret I note that you have no such organization auxiliary to your Post.

In this day of great patriotic devotion, when love of country and zeal in defending the flag has received a fresh baptism in the blood of your sons, quickening the pulse of patriotism, it is with renewed interest in behalf of the veterans of '61 to '65 that we desire your co-operation in assisting this Department to strengthen its Order by an auxiliary in your midst. By so doing you will bring the wives, daughters and loyal women interested in your welfare together, who, in time of distress and need, by practicing the grand principles of fraternity and charity, will be valuable assistants to your Post in its charitable work. A few statistics may be of interest to you.

Since our organization we have expended in relief to June 30, 1899, the magnificent sum \$1,875,158.96, and have assisted more than 50,000 soldiers or members of their families, besides \$38,126.17 turned over to Posts.

Comrades, I sincerely ask you to give this matter your attention and assistance, and if you have not time to attend to it yourself, place the enclosed circulars of instruction in the hands of some patriotic women for immediate action.

Any further information you desire will be cheerfully rendered by Department I. and I. Officer Stella Newman, 2837 Lawrence street, Denver, or by addressing these headquarters.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR,
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., Sept. 1, 1899.

§ CIRCULAR LETTER, }
No. 2. }

I. The annual inspection of Corps in this Department will occur during the months of September, October and November.

The following Assistant Inspectors are hereby appointed and assignments made.

Department Inspector—Corps Nos. 2, 6, 8, 11, 12, 17, 19, 21, 23, 27, 28, 29, 31 and 41.

Department President—Corps Nos. 3, 9, 13, 14, 18, 20, 25, 30, 36, 37, 42 and 43.

Department Senior Vice President—Corps Nos. 15, 24, 32 and 38.

Junior Vice President—Corps Nos. 1, 5, 26, 35, 40 and 45.

Department Secretary—Corps Nos. 4, 16, 22, 33, 34 and 39.

Subject to any necessary changes.

II. It will be impossible for the Inspectors to meet with all Corps on their regular meeting day. Therefore it is hoped Corps Presidents will comply cheerfully with requests for special meetings. Let every member be notified, so that every officer and member can be in their places, enabling them to exemplify the work properly.

III. Corps Presidents, on receipt of inspection blanks, will confer with their Secretary and Treasurer, ascertain the number of meetings in the year, make out all averages, determine the amount of relief from September 1, 1898, to September 1, 1899, so as to be prepared to answer all questions on the inspection blank, thereby saving a great deal of time.

IV. Corps will be required to exemplify the entire work according to the ritual, including the flag work of installation service. If possible, arrange that the Secretary's and Treasurer's books may be examined before the meeting. Carefully note the following points:

BOOKS OF SECRETARY.

1. That the records are properly kept, and all reports and communications are neatly filed.

2. That the attendance of officers and members be kept separately and noted on margin of the journal. Initiations, transfers and discharges noted in the same manner.

3. That General Orders receive proper attention and be placed on file.

4. That the stubs of order books are properly filled out and numbered.

BOOKS OF TREASURER.

1. See that a proper account of receipts and expenditures are kept, and that the relief fund is separate from the general fund.

2. That the stubs of receipt books are filled out, numbered, and that they compare with the entries of the cash book.

3. That a ledger page be assigned to each member and a correct account be kept with them.

4. That a report of the Treasurer be read at each regular meeting and filed with the Secretary.

V. The inspection blanks accompany this circular letter.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

IRENE DETOLIVER.

Department Inspector.

Approved:

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

OFFICE OF PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,

GRAND JUNCTION, COLO., Dec. 12, 1899.

CIRCULAR LETTER, {
No. 3. }

Having been appointed Patriotic Instructor, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, I assume the duties of the same with a willingness to do all I can to further one of the grandest objects of our organization, namely: To inculcate lessons of Patriotism and Love of Country among our children and in the communities in which we live.

With the earnest, united efforts of every Corps in this Department this very important line of work can be made a success, and in every school lessons of American citizenship taught and the salute to the American flag given.

The question comes, "How are we to introduce that teaching into the public schools?" We would say: Ask the consent of the board of education and teachers and explain what is desired.

Certainly there are none who would object to the child saluting the American flag once a day, and the duties of American citizenship taught, also patriotic songs sung at least once a week.

And where Corps are not financially able to furnish each school room with the necessary outfit for patriotic teaching, such as one flag, one Declaration of Independence chart, one Patriotic Primer and Ritual, giving the flag salute, school boards might, if asked, furnish flags and Independence charts, and county and state superintendents would recommend the same.

Corps will obtain the above outfits from Department Treasurers through Corps Treasurers.

We hope that all the Corps that have not taken up this work will do so through committees appointed by their respective Corps Presidents, and that all Corps may receive due credit in the report to Department Convention, blanks will be sent to Corps Presidents in due time to make their reports, with the following questions:

1. How many Corps in your town or city?
2. How many public schools in your town or city hoist the flag during school hours?
3. In how many schools is patriotism taught?
4. How many school rooms have a flag?
5. In how many school rooms is the flag salute given?
6. How many children in public schools give the flag salute?
7. In how many school rooms is the Declaration of Independence chart displayed?
8. Are national holidays observed?
9. Is Citizens' Sunday observed?
10. Are patriotic contests held?
11. Do the histories used meet with your approval?
12. What suggestions can you make to advance the work of patriotic instruction?

Each question should be answered; do not say "all," but give the number clearly. This is absolutely necessary that Department Patriotic Instructor can answer all questions on consolidated report to National.

Reports to be made out and forwarded to Department Patriotic Instructor not later than March 31.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

IDA M. FALLIS,
Department Patriotic Instructor.

Approved:

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF STAFF,

DENVER, COLO., Dec. 15, 1900.

CIRCULAR LETTER, }
N. 4. }

Having been appointed Chief of Staff and Senior Aide by Alice M. Seeds, Department President, and finding that my work is proving very unsatisfactory to myself, owing to the dilatory manner in which the Aides throughout the Department report quarterly, I deem it expedient, therefore, to urge you to more earnest effort in reporting at the end of every quarter, as directed by the Department President.

The duties of the Aides have been defined heretofore in General Orders, still there may be a few who may not fully understand them.

You are directed to aid your Corps Treasurer in urging delinquents, if any, to pay their dues, helping by your influence to reinstate dropped members. Visit other Corps when practicable, reporting number of visits made.

Report as to the work of your Corps and its financial condition, also as to relief work and the relations existing between Post and Corps.

Report number of delinquent members, also reinstatements and new members. Assist the Post in the observance of Memorial Day.

It is the duty of each Aide to work for the best interests of her Corps, encouraging by her energy and example both officers and members to renewed effort.

I am much interested in my own work, and earnestly hope that you will assist me in preparing a good report at the close of the year.

Send in your reports promptly. Those who have not as yet sent in their last quarterly reports, please forward with the report for the present quarter.

Shall not all work together for the good of the Order?

By order of

IDA CRITCHELL,
Chief of Staff and Senior Aide.

Approved:

ALICE M. SEEDS,
Department President.

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Secretary.

Decisions of the Department Conventions.

I. A Roll of Honor is hereby established for all Corps sending reports of both Secretary and Treasurer, with per capita tax inclosed, on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.

II. That rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter), belonging to disbanded Corps, be sold at regular prices.

III. That the President-elect be furnished with a copy of decisions of Convention within fifteen days after its adjournment.

IV. That the rate of representation to Department Convention be one delegate for every twenty members, and one additional delegate for the fraction of more than one-half that number.

V. That the per capita tax be fifteen cents per quarter.

VI. That all orders for supplies be properly made on requisition blanks with the accompanying money sent made payable by either postoffice or express order, and sent direct to the Department Treasurer.

VII. That at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from Corps nearest the Department President, in order to facilitate the auditing of the books and accounts.

VIII. That the Corps Secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year.

IX. That Department Secretary, in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps Secretaries, shall indicate in red ink on line fifteen, Form A, "number remaining suspended, last report," which shall not be changed, the same to be a copy of column sixteen, on consolidated report of previous quarter.

X. That a Red Book be purchased by every Corps in this Department for the use of officers especially; by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.

XI. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at headquarters for one year.

XII. That a record be kept at headquarters giving the date of organization of Corps and names of charter members; also a record of all disbanded Corps and causes of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.

XIII. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.

XIV. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in the Roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that the date of organization be added to the Roster.

XV. That on election returns sent to the Department Secretary be written the address of the Corps President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

XVI. That a General Order containing the address of the Department Chaplain be sent to all Corps Chaplains.

XVII. That the silver pins for National delegates' badges, ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention, remain the property of the Department and in the custody of the Department Treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge and return the same to the Department Treasurer after the Convention; that the Department President can change the ribbon of the badges at her discretion.

XVIII. That Corps sending for supplies shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies cannot be entered on the books of the Department Treasurer.

XIX. That it is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial Day for money-making purposes which will desecrate the sacredness of the day.

XX. That the Corps of this Department lend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with Corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30, or upon some other day.

XXI. That Installing officers be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of the Corps officers, typewritten if possible, the names given in full and correctly spelled.

XXII. That ten per cent. of per capita tax received each quarter be transferred to the Department Relief Fund.

XXIII. That Corps Treasurers in cities give their street and number on quarterly reports.

XXIV. That two copies of General Orders be sent each Corps, one for the President and one for the Secretary.

XXV. That the Department banner be taken to the Convention Hall at annual meetings.

XXVI. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee, as the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

XXVII. That the election of officers at Department Convention be held on the morning of the second day.

XXVIII. That the retiring Department President send the Journals direct to those entitled to them.

XXIX. That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department the weekly paper known as the *National Standard*, published in Denver.

XXX. That the outgoing Department President appoint a committee to prepare a testimonial for the Department President, at

the close of her official year, the same to be paid from the General Fund, at a maximum cost not to exceed fifty dollars.

XXXI. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals and give the contract to the lowest reliable bidder.

XXXII. That the Department Press Correspondent be furnished subscriptions to the papers or periodicals which she is required to supply with news.

XXXIII. That the Department President-elect use her influence to have at least one woman, a member of the W. R. C., appointed a member of the Soldiers' Home Commission.

XXXIV. That Corps Presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

XXXV. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in the public schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and the Woman's Relief Corps.

XXXVI. That, as full and complete reports of all our officers are printed in the Journals, only a summary of the Department Chaplain's, Instituting and Installing Officer's and Inspector's reports be read in Convention.

DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

G. A. R.—W. R. C.

1884—DENVER, COLO.

Byron L. Carr, Department Commander.	Catherine C. Kennedy, Denver, Colo., Department President.
Eben White, Adjutant General.	Caroline L. Parker, Golden, Colo., Department Secretary.
Eugene A. Austin, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Mary A. Stimson, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1885—DENVER, COLO.

A. V. Bohm, Department Commander.	Catherine C. Kennedy, Denver, Colo., Department President.
F. R. Miller, Assistant Adjutant General.	Helen R. Eldridge, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
N. R. Twitchell, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Olive Hogle, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1886—PUEBLO, COLO.

Henry Bowman, Department Commander.	Mary Jewett Telford, Denver, Colo., Department President.
E. H. Sawyer, Assistant Adjutant General.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
D. I. Ezekiel, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Olive Hogle, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1887—DENVER, COLO.

Geo. Ady, Department Commander.	Mary Jewett Telford, Denver, Colo., Department President.
Jas. A. Lowrie, Assistant Adjutant General.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Olive Hogle, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1888—CHEYENNE, WYO.

John W. Browning, Department Commander.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Colo., Department President.
A. B. Place, Assistant Adjutant General.	Libbie Kent Daniels, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Mary J. Handyside, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1889—GREELEY, COLO.

Thos. M. Fisher, Department Commander.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Colo., Department President.
Nicholas J. O'Brien, Assistant Adjutant General.	Emily R. Cohen, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Lettie L. Kessler, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1890—DENVER, COLO.

Delos L. Holden, Department Commander.	America Anderson, Denver, Colo., Department President.
R. H. Dunn, Assistant Adjutant General.	Sarah E. Calvert, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Ida DeLange, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1891—MANITOU, COLO.

George W. Cook, Department Commander.	Climena G. Howard, Greeley, Colo., Department President.
Phil. Trounstine, Assistant Adjutant General.	Josephine Cheeseman, Greeley, Colo., Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1892—BOULDER, COLO.

John C. Kennedy, Department Commander.	Mary L. Carr, Longmont, Colo., Department President.
J. W. Anderson, Assistant Adjutant General.	Mary T. Brenbarger, Longmont, Colo., Department Secretary.
Jno. L. Handley, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1893—PUEBLO, COLO.

Myron W. Reed, Department Commander.	Laura S. Dodge, Boulder, Colo., Department President.
W. T. S. May, Assistant Adjutant General.	Isa E. Crosby, Boulder, Colo., Department Secretary.
John L. Handley, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Janette L. Todd, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1894—ASPEN, COLO.

Nathan Rollins, Department Commander.	Janette L. Todd, Denver, Colo., Department President.
J. W. Anderson, Assistant Adjutant General.	Olive C. Butler, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
Halsey M. Rhodes, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Margelia E. Hamilton, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1895—DENVER, COLO.

Nicholas J. O'Brien, Department Commander.	Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Wyo., Department President.
W. Harry Conley, Assistant Adjutant General.	Lida E. Fitch, Laramie, Wyo., Department Secretary.
Halsey M. Rhodes, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyo., Department Treasurer.

1896—DENVER, COLO.

Horace O. Dodge, Department Commander.	Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs, Department President.
Alonzo Cohn, Assistant Adjutant General.	Marion Sutton, Colorado Springs, Department Secretary.
Geo. A. Hamilton, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1897—COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

U. S. Hollister, Department Commander.	Fannie D. W. Hardin, Denver, Colo., Department President.
Marshall S. Crawford, Assistant Adjutant General.	Edna E. Hamilton, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
Wm. W. Roller, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1898—CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO.

W. T. S. May, Department Commander.	Lucy M. Campbell, Denver, Colo., Department President.
Nathan T. Cox, Assistant Adjutant General.	Hester W. Hartzell, Denver, Colo., Department Secretary.
Nathan A. Baker, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1899—DENVER, COLO.

Andrew Royal, Department Commander.	Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek, Colo., Department President.
Dan W. Brown, Assistant Adjutant General.	Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek, Colo., Department Secretary.
Nathan A. Baker, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

1900—DENVER, COLO.

Harper M. Orahoad, Department Commander.	Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyo., Department President.
Thos. J. Foote, Assistant Adjutant General.	Anna D. Fishback, Rawlins, Wyo., Department Secretary.
Marshall S. Crawford, Assistant Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Colo., Department Treasurer.

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Past Corps Presidents—*Ella L. C. Dwinnell; Louise Sherman; Fredericka Langmeyer; Lucy Wheeler; Irene DeTolliver; Ellen R. Holbrook; Lydia Ellison; Jennie Dunnington; Loretta Munnah.

Delegates—Mamie Blanchard; *Susan Carriek; *Lyda Bateman; Cora B. Sawyer; *Ada Dultee.

Alternates—*Floretta Peabody; Sarah Vandyne; Maggie Whitcomb; *Hannah Powers; Florence Head.

T. H. DODD CORPS No. 5, GOLDEN.

Corps President—Anna Luman.

Past Corps Presidents—Charlotte Coe; Mary A. Eldridge; Ella Tripp; Eliza Peters; Anna Luman.

Delegates—*Hannah Starbird; Rose Jasper.

Alternates—Elnice Hatley; Emma Slater.

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G. G. MEADE CORPS No. 6, DENVER.

Corps President—*Anna H. Behney.

Past Corps Presidents—America Anderson; *Fannie D. W. Hardin; Lydia E. Dunnagan; Mary Godfrey; Carrie E. Phillips; Anna M. Miller; Stella Newman; Nancy L. Cowell; Maggie Hutchinson; *Margelia Hamilton; Parthenia McBeth; N. J. Vrooman; Frances S. Klock; Annie E. Babbitt; *Frances Kirkpatrick; Sara A. Thomins.

Delegates—*Martha W. Evans; *Eloise Lehow; *Ella M. Myers; Lora J. Hill.

Alternates—*Fannie J. Ames; Raynes Hobart; Lydia Wilson; Etta Lesslie.

MYRON W. REED CORPS No. 7, RIFLE.

Corps President—Ray Dymenberg.

Past Corps President—Nettie Marker.

Delegate—*Jane Allison.

Alternate—Ray Dymenberg.

J. A. GARFIELD CORPS No. 8, LEADVILLE.

Corps President—*Maggie Telfer.

Past Corps Presidents—*Susan Searl; Maria Wolcott; Nettie Harker; *Kate McCarthy; *Jennie Paddock; Henrietta Greenleaf; Hattie Bunn.

Delegates—Lucy Smith; Mollie Ward; Angie Johnson.

Alternates—Sarah Parker; Amelia George; Avis Keays.

J. F. REYNOLDS CORPS No. 9, CHEYENNE, WYO.

Corps President—*Theresa A. Jenkins.

Past Corps Presidents—Hattie Cowick; *Kate McCabe; Theresa A. Jenkins; *Lena Buechner; *Mary Hader; *Sadie M. Fisher; Bertha Myers; Louise O. Artist.

Delegates—*Mary A. Cahill; *Minnie Hass.

Alternates—Kate E. Holloway; Annie Fosdick.

BYRON L. CARR CORPS No. 10, FONDIS.

Corps President—Mary Hollens.

Past Corps President—Louise J. Parkhurst.

Delegate—Maggie Sampier.

Alternate—Lulu Holden.

NORTH FORK CORPS No. 11, HOTCHKISS.

Corps President—Alice Galliher.

Past Corps Presidents—Mary A. Miller; Alice Galliher.

Delegate—Mary Miller.

GUNNISON CORPS No. 12, GUNNISON.

Corps President—*Amanda Unruk.

Past Corps Presidents—*Jessie Sharpe Purrier; Laura Miller; Nellie Crump; Sarah Williams; Fannie B. Whip; Jennie Marsh; Alma Wagner.

Delegate—Ida Gavette.

Alternate—Ann Bird.

CASPAR W. COLLINS CORPS No. 13, RAWLINS, WYO.

Corps President—O. Louise Donnell.

Past Corps Presidents—*Minnie E. Kingsford; Mary L. Jennings.

Delegates—Ada Miller; *Julia Ferris.

Alternates—*Mattie Alphin; Caroline McKinney.

VETERAN CORPS No. 14, DENVER.

Corps President—Anna McIlvain.

Past Corps Presidents—Janette L. Todd; Emily Cohen; Emma Johnson; Mecca Chester; Edith Newland; Angie C. Grove; Persis A. French; Lucy Langdell; Sallie Essington; Dorcas Hassen; Olive Butler; *Melvina Greenfield.

Delegates—Mary Train; *Emma Collins; Mary West.

Alternates—Susie Rinn; Arena Fair; *Sarah Pridmore.

U. S. GRANT CORPS No. 15, GREELEY.

Corps President—Emily H. Jones.

Past Corps Presidents—Emily H. Jones; Sarah A. Hogarty; Cilmena G. Howard; Jennie G. Harper; Lucy J. Dresser; Annie B. Sanborn; Kate E. Hannah; Clementine S. Hawes; Esther H. Randolph; Elizabeth R. Clark; Hattie M. Lucas; Clementine S. Hawes; *Minnie Beetham.

Delegates—Ella Teas; Mary J. Hall.

Alternates—Sarah Ferguson; Meta T. Alcorn.

WADSWORTH CORPS No. 16, ROCKY FORD.

Corps President—Ida Hickox.

Past Corps Presidents—Flora J. Hall; Mary Guthrie; Carrie Price; Emma J. Fenlason; Annie S. Burr; Ida Hickox.

Delegate—*Madeline Sloan.

Alternate—*Della Badger.

GRAND JUNCTION CORPS No. 17, GRAND JUNCTION.

Corps President—Emma R. Hoover.

Past Corps Presidents—*Adela Ditman; Ella Ackerman; *Elizabeth Bartlett; Ida M. Fallis; Amy Young; Hattie Rundle; Sarah Oldham.

Delegates—Adela Ditman; Dora Steele; Lizzie Dickerson.

Alternates—Kate Shott; Helen Julian; Mollie Calkins.

R. A. CAMERON CORPS No. 18, FORT MORGAN.

Corps President—*Kate M. Clatworthy.

Past Corps Presidents—Matilda Hotchkiss; Hallie H. Otis; *Arabella C. Johnson; Clara Gilbertson; Estelle Robinson.

Delegates—Martha Baker; Amanda Dodds.

Alternates—Mary A. Wilson; Hattie Farnsworth.

WINFIELD SCOTT CORPS No. 19, ASPEN.

Corps President—Anna McKnight.

Past Corps Presidents—Gwendolin Powell; Anna McKnight;

*Olive M. Bacon; Mary E. Nevins.

Delegate—Alphe Helma.

Alternate—Leonora Healey.

CUSTER CORPS No. 20, LARAMIE, WYO.

Corps President—Sarah E. Gardinier.

Past Corps Presidents—Adda Ulen; Lida E. Fitch; Anna B. Holliday; Olivia Peale; Mary Ingersoll; Ann Woodard; Phoebe Gearhart; *Maria Ballie; Mary A. Kinnear; Lizzie Reals.

Delegates—Maria Ballie; Lizzie Reals.

Alternates—Kittie Appelman; Olivia Peale.

RENO CORPS No. 21, DENVER.

Corps President—Lucy M. Capron.

Past Corps Presidents—Lucy M. Capron; *Ida Critchell; Minnie Macarey; Olive Hogle; Mary Mayo.

Delegates—*Ada Forsythe; *Elizabeth Martin.

Alternates—Anna R. Miller; Florence Wilmot.

MULLIGAN CORPS No. 22, SPRINGFIELD.

Corps President—Mary E. Robertson.

Past Corps President—Mary E. Robertson.

J. W. ANDERSON CORPS No. 23, CRIPPLE CREEK.

Corps President—*Alice A. Hatfield.

Past Corps Presidents—*Alice T. Smith; *Stella A. Kyle; *Annie B. Leimberger; Mary A. Youngson.

Delegates—*Olive McKee; *Julia Handy; May C. Johnson;

*Lou W. Aller; *Laura Webber; Mary J. King.

Alternates—Lizzie Davis; *Jean Fisher; Emily Williams; *Rose Adams; Almira Johnson.

W. T. SHERMAN CORPS No. 24, EVANS.

Corps President—Eliza Rickards.

Past Corps Presidents—Nellie S. Flint; Jessie A. Laughlin; *Lydia C. Young; Gertrude N. Flint; *L. A. Herriot; Lydia C. Young.

Delegate—Grace Carson.

Alternate—Millie Beeson.

PFEIFFER CORPS No. 25, ALAMOSA.

Corps President—*Annie C. Smith.

Past Corps Presidents—Sadie Simons; Amelia Gertleson; Addie Miller.

Delegates—*Sadie Cole; Mary J. Cole.

Alternates—Mary Born; Edna Thomas.

G. H. THOMAS CORPS No. 26, FORT COLLINS.

Corps President—Eva V. Nye.

Past Corps Presidents—Olivia L. Manderville; *Sara B. C. Stephenson; Elenora Baker; Ida E. Seckner; Ella Walsh; Mary Weldman; Irene McLain; Isabelle Woods; *Hannah King.

Delegates—Sarah Davis; *Melissa Curtis; Minnie McLain; Lucinda Miller.

Alternates—Annie McNabb; Maggie Hoffman; *Hattie Buss; Lucy Beach.

NATHANIEL LYON CORPS No. 27, BOULDER.

Corps President—*Fannie Dickey.

Past Corps Presidents—M. Berwick Anderson; Laura S. Dodge; *Emma D. Adams; Isa E. Crosby; Catherine O'Brian; Virginia M. Feeney; Clara L. Whitney; Mary E. Ullmer; Eliza J. Norton; Marian Sutton; Fannie Dickey; Maria Luce; *Irene B. Cowle; Sarah A. Rosier.

Delegates—*Nellie Werley; *Drusilla Simmers; *Tillie Weiderholdt; Clara Savory; *Elvia Sipple.

Alternates—Lucy Myers; Eva Metcalf; Mary Johnson; Fannie Conrad; Anna King.

ELLSWORTH CORPS No. 28, CENTRAL CITY.

Corps President—*Carrie Ashbaugh.

Past Corps Presidents—Pauline Ashbaugh; Elizabeth Y. Quigley; Ida M. Johnson.

Delegates—*Lizzie Clark; *Rosa Meymon; Clara Lundquist.

Alternates—Kate McCullough; Sarah Williams; L. M. Fullerton.

ELBERT COUNTY CORPS No. 29, ELBERT.

Corps President—*Olive A. Killin.

Past Corps Presidents—L. J. Fahrion; Sarah Lundy.

Delegates—*Bacia Grebe; Alzada Tuttle.

Alternates—Georgia Putman; Elwilda Stoddard.

JIM BOWIE CORPS No. 30, AMETHYST.

Corps President—Lottie C. Darling.

Past Corps Presidents—Jennie Woodruff; Helen Jackson.

Delegate—Nellie McCall.

Alternate—Sadie C. Spangler.

A. J. SMITH CORPS No. 31, FLORENCE.

Corps President—*Helen Edwards.

Past Corps Presidents—*Ella Wayne; *Anna Hurst.

Delegate—*Ida B. Higgins.

Alternate—Jennie Gordon.

McPHERSON CORPS No. 32, LONGMONT.

Corps President—*Susie Carr McGwire.

Past Corps Presidents—*Mary L. Carr; *Eva J. Coffin; Emily Beckwith; Sarah Richard; Mary Sebern; Elizabeth Williams; Azubah Messenger; *Ellen Wheatley.

Delegates—Melissa B. Minor; May Flansburg; Susie V. Lanyon

Alternates—Ella Wheatley; Charlotte Epperson; Jessie Bashor.

KILPATRICK CORPS No. 34, LA JUNTA.

No Report.

MAJOR ANDERSON CORPS No. 35, ARVADA.

Corps President—Mary Berkshire.

Past Corps Presidents—Clara Green; Amanda Graham; Mary Johnson; Emma J. Mellette.

Delegate—Chattie Hurlburt.

Alternate—*Mary P. Smith.

E. M. STANTON CORPS No. 27, SALIDA.

Corps President—Anna Amberson.

Past Corps Presidents—Margaret C. Delo; Delia F. Buell; Anna Ten Brock.

Delegate—*Sarah J. Jarrett.

Alternate—Emma Comstock.

A. E. BURNSIDE CORPS No. 23, LOVELAND.

Corps President—Nancy Krouskop.

Past Corps Presidents—Mary Phelps; Ella Davison; Mary L. Thorndyke.

Delegate—Carrie I. Chadbourne.

Alternate—Ella Falkner.

PIKE'S PEAK CORPS No. 39, MANITOU.

Corps President—Alice Barney.

Past Corps Presidents—Irene Elerick; Katie Sahrbeck; Mary L. Broughten; Malania Lowther.

Delegate—Susie French.

Alternate—*Achsa Pray.

M. M. CROCKER CORPS No. 40, DENVER.

Corps President—Charlotte Moore.

Past Corps Presidents—*Lucy M. Campbell; Ellen R. Brown; Alice A. Easton; Sarah E. Waldo; Eliza F. LeFever.

Delegates—*Pauline Frederick; Mary A. Clark; Georgia Hill.

Alternates—*Loretta Jewitt; *Alice Harman; Mamie Weidner.

VICTOR CORPS No. 41, VICTOR.

Corps President—Martha Calderwood.

Past Corps Presidents—Carrie D. Thayer; Martha Thomas;

*Hannah Johnson.

Delegate—*Annie B. McGee.

Alternate—Martha Calderwood.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CORPS No. 42, DENVER.

Corps President—Carrie Cogshall.

Past Corps Presidents—Carrie Russell; Debra Moser; *Margaretta Kauffman; Miriam B. Clark; May E. Domm.

Delegates—Nettie Hiller; *Jessie Pond.

Alternates—Helen B. Clark; Gladys Thomas.

JOE HOOKER CORPS No. 43, MONTE VISTA.

Corps President—Rovena L. Winter.

Past Corps Presidents—Effie B. V. Aldrich; Belle M. Packard; Alice B. Cheney.

PHIL SHERIDAN CORPS No. 44, BUENA VISTA.

Corps President—Anna Pitman.

Past Corps President—Mary Warner.

Delegate—Jessie Hill.

Alternae—Anna Wright.

JOHN C. FREMONT CORPS No. 45, LITTLETON.

Corps President—Margaret L. Mitchell.

Past Corps Presidents—Inez B. Hill; Mary Cozens; Jennie Chapman; Dora Horton; Ida Eggleton; Jennie Misner.

Delegate—Dora Horton.

Alternate—Mary Markle.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE SEVENTEETH ANNUAL CONVENTION, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLO- RADO AND WYOMING.

The Seventeenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, met in Woodman's Hall, No. 107-109 South Union Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado, Wednesday, April 10, 1901, at 9:30 A. M., and was called to order by the President, Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford.

Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson was appointed Chaplain and led the convention in the Lord's prayer. Singing of the opening ode by the convention.

Moved by Olive Killin that this be an open session until after the reading of the President's address. Seconded by Ella M. Byers and carried.

The following convention appointments were made:

Assistant Secretary, Sarah A. Tucker, No. 2; Chaplain, Sara B. C. Stephenson, No. 26; Conductor, Amelia Gertieson, No. 25; Assistant Conductor, Maria Baillie, No. 20; Color Bearers, May Flansburg, No. 32; Susie Lanyon, No. 32; Etura Clark, No. 4; Ruth A. Dana, No. 4; Convention Aides, Arabella C. Johnson, No. 18; Kate McCabe, No. 9; Alice Hatfield, No. 23; Lizzie Clark, No. 22; Press Committee, S. A. Tucker, C. J. Adams and Bessie French; Guard, Martha Evans, No. 6; Assistant Guard Mary J. Cole, No. 25; Chorister, Ella Wayne, No. 31; Pianist, Julia R. Upson, No. 2.

The Department Officers present were introduced to the convention and given the convention salute.

Mrs. Sybil Watson, of Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, was introduced and delivered the address of welcome.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

MRS. PRESIDENT, OFFICERS AND LADIES OF THE CONVENTION:

To me has been given the honor of welcoming you to this, our Seventeenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. While I cannot boast of a beautiful city, or one that is wealthy as compared to our sister cities, yet I can assure you that our welcome is as genuine, and that the hearts of the people of Pueblo are as warm and patriotic as any in the Union.

Here we have many unpleasant things to contend with, such as hard winds, muddy water and sulphur smoke; and we do hope

that you will excuse these drawbacks. When you think that the wind, though blowing a gale today, is driving away the smoke and bringing the life-giving oxygen on its wings, so necessary to our being. The smoke, we hope, will not frighten the more timorous ladies with its fumes of sulphur, by the thought that perhaps the place where his Satanic Majesty is supposed to reign is not far distant, for it is not death-dealing, but life-giving. That smoke and the furnaces from which it comes, and the continual whirr and buzz, and the sound of the blast, are all factors in the great busy life that pays out each month over \$500,000 to the people of Pueblo.

Some say "Yes, the common working people!" I say God bless the "common working people" for to them we owe the redemption of this, our beautiful land, and the honor of "Old Glory." Who sprang to respond to the call in '61? The "common working men." Who sat at the head of this nation during that hard struggle from '61 to '65, and was so wise and just in all things? Abraham Lincoln was the man, and he came from the ranks of the commonest walk in life. I am sure God loves the working man or he would never have made so many of them. And we all bid you welcome.

When I look over this convention and see that we are growing stronger in numbers as the years advance, I think of the Boys in Blue, whose ranks are growing thinner and those who are left to us grow more feeble and more in need of love and sympathy, and also our financial help. When we know these things to be true, then let the mantle of Old Glory fall over their weaknesses and shortcomings, and thank our Heavenly Father for the band of loyal women called the Woman's Relief Corps.

"For these boys in blue have all tured gray,
Thin grow their ranks and thinner;
They have played at Death's game many a day,
But Death today is winner.
And though short their muster roll below,
Above 'tis growing longer;
Though faint on Earth their voices grow,
In Heaven they swell the stronger."

Then let us who have met here to legislate and elect make our choice so wise, that as the need grows greater, we may respond to the call and make each successive year more filled with Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty than the last.

And now, let me say, with all my heart, we welcome you to Pueblo, the Pittsburg of the West.

The response was made by Mrs Eloise Lehow, of George G. Meade Corps No. 6, Denver:

RESPONSE.

WOMEN OF THE RELIEF CORPS OF PUEBLO:

The Department of Colorado and Wyoming accepts with pleasure, your words of kindly greeting and thank you most heartily for your cordial welcome.

It is fitting that the words of appreciation should come from Denver, for with all the arrogance of an elder sister, the Queen

City of the Plains, as the convention city of the West, has been wont to carry the honors of the family and has been somewhat doubtful whether the younger one would be equal to the task she had undertaken. But you have changed all that. We have come, we have seen, and you have conquered. We are yours. We are forced to acknowledge, in the expressive phraseology of the day, "There are others." We are in no wise dismayed by the little things you are pleased to term "drawbacks." The wind but blows away the furnace smoke and reveals the warm glow of the fires of patriotism and goodwill, and the fumes of sulphur remind us, not of the Prince of Darkness, but of their power to cleanse and purify from all infection of evil. We have come to you from mountain and plain, from village and city, earnest, loyal women, devoted to the furtherance of the principles of our order. We follow in the wake of our soldier comrades. They who christened our infant organization some eighteen years ago, builded better than they knew when they gave us a name whose significance he who runs may read and understand. The Relief Corps of the G. A. R. To us they turn for help and consolation, sure to find us always ready to sustain and comfort them in every vicissitude. No other name could so well express what is our proudest boast, the Auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic.

We would like to say a little word of the honor shown to our comrades in the decoration of your city. We are glad to see merchant and householder so generous in this outward expression of honor to the men with the gun, and for whom should our flag fling out her starry folds if not for him who offered his heart's best blood in her defense? But too often he is made to feel himself a back number, and we are glad when he is assured that he is still "first in the hearts of his countrymen."

I thank you all again, and feel it a privilege and an honor to have been deemed worthy to bring the words of thanks in the name of this Department, for your gracious welcome and generous hospitality.

Department Senior Vice-President Mrs. Jennie Paddock, of Leadville, took the chair, and the President proceeded to read her address, which was listened to with great interest:

Address of Department President.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE SEVENTEENTH
DEPARTMENT CONVENTION—

LOOKING BACKWARD.

LADIES:—It seems scarcely possible that nearly thirteen months have passed since I entered upon the duties of the office to which you elected me. Truly these have been busy months! While I thought I realized the responsibility connected with the honor you bestowed, I found many times difficult problems to solve, and as little by little, I began to realize what was before

me, I was appalled at the magnitude at what I had taken upon myself; but with courage born of love for the cause, I entered heart and soul into the work, striving at all times to guide the affairs of this Department in a careful manner. I, like a number of my predecessors, thought to keep an account of all the letters written during the year, but early in my administration found it would be impossible and abandoned the idea. As I said before, these months have been busy ones and truly they have been short ones as well. It has seemed sometimes that the hours must contain fewer minutes than they did when my time was less occupied.

Eight General Orders, one Memorial Order, two Special Orders, and five Circular Letters, have been issued from the Department Headquarters, besides a vast amount of official correspondence. Circular Letter No. 2 was typewritten at no expense to the Department. I have traveled more than five thousand miles on Department business at a very trifling expense to the Department; I have attended the funerals and participated in the last honors to five comrades of the line—in two cases there was "lack of woman's nursing, there was dearth of woman's tears." I have been weary often and discouraged much, but can rejoice with you in the steady growth of the organization in our Department.

WORK OF THE ORDER.

The Woman's Relief Corps well deserves the recognition it has earned and receives all over our broad land. All loyal women are interested in the work we are doing for the Union veteran and his family; and for this reason they are rallying from the East, West, North and South to join us in our efforts. Our work is carried on without ostentatious display and yet the public learn of it and recognize its worth. The Grand Army of the Republic will in a few years have ceased to exist in our land, but the work of our Order will go on as long as there is a widow or an orphan—as long as there is a Memorial Day to be sacredly observed.

RELIEF WORK.

This, our legitimate work, has been most earnestly and faithfully carried on as in the years past; Colorado and Wyoming are ever ready to extend a helping hand to every cry of distress. It is with satisfaction that I, today, submit my report to the Department Commander. The sum of \$2,528.65 has been expended in direct relief work; turned over to Posts \$283.10; relief other than money, \$2,278.85; Texas relief fund, \$338.50. This is a work we may well be proud of. Let us endeavor to perpetuate our claim of standing very near the head on the roll in charitable deeds. "The noblest hand is the hand that gives."

TEXAS RELIEF.

In response to an appeal from the Department of Texas Woman's Relief Corps, I determined with the consent of the Council to issue a call for aid from the Corps of this Department (See Special Order No. 2). Though my action in this matter seemed to conflict with Rules and Regulations, Chapter V, Article XIX, last

clause, I was not acting unadvisedly, but in compliance with a suggestion from National Headquarters. One of our Corps, hearing through a member of our Council of our proposition, did not wait for the call to be made, but sent in a donation of ten (\$1.00) dollars at once. You will have seen through General Orders that this appeal from Texas met with a most liberal response. Our noble hearted women of Colorado and Wyoming could not do otherwise.

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Jennie McGill, this department of our work has been carefully looked after. Many cases of distress have been reported and relieved. Mrs. McGill has been an indefatigable worker and is deserving of our warmest thanks for her earnestness and zeal. Though we have five members on the relief committee, only the chairman has reported any relief work done. I think it is not generally understood by the members of the Department Relief Committee that they all have the privilege of a careful use of the relief fund in their different localities in cases not covered by Corps work.

SOLDIER'S HOMES.

It was my pleasure to visit the Wyoming Home, accompanied by my Secretary and several members of J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9. We found the thirty-three inmates comfortably housed and seemingly quite contented with their surroundings. The house is small, and with the influx which the cold weather always brings to our Homes, it would be filled to overflowing. There were several cases of sickness in the house at the time of our visit, and when we saw those in health obliged to share their room with the sick comrade, we realized their pressing need of a hospital building, where good nursing for the sick might be had. We immediately began to form some plan whereby they might procure that which they so much needed. Through the able assistance of our Secretary, we were successful in getting a bill introduced into the Legislature, asking for an appropriation of \$3,000, for the erection of a hospital building and a cottage for the commander's family. Though I was unable to attend personally to any of the details, I believe we were the "power behind the gun" and the bill was passed. We learned later, to our regret, that it would probably be some months before the improvements could be made.

General Stiltser and his estimable wife, were most hospitably inclined towards us, and we were entertained in a most charming manner.

My visit to the Monte Vista Home was a pleasant surprise, for though situated in rather an inaccessible part of the State of Colorado, I found the surroundings most pleasant, even in November. The comrades seemed delighted to shake hands and converse with me, and when they found that I must return to Monte Vista, begged me to remain longer with them. Colonel and Mrs. Shaw cordially invited me to remain over night, but as I was

obliged to take an early morning train in order to make my next appointment, I had to forego the pleasure. Colonel Shaw reported the comrades much more contented than when he first took command, but in my conversation with them I found they still sigh for the removal of the Home.

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

There has been a gradual increase in membership during the year, but the number of suspensions at times has been very discouraging. I have tried to impress upon my aides the importance of retaining the old members as well as adding new ones to our number. But despite it all, many suspensions are reported.

Early in my administration I sent out a typewritten letter to all Grand Army Posts having no auxiliary, urging them to take steps to organize one. With the Posts mentioned in my predecessor's report, as having requested applications for charter, I kept up a personal correspondence, at least tried to, but it was all on my side. I could get them to take no further steps in the matter. To many of our Posts I have written perseveringly, but all efforts seemed in vain. The multiplicity of secret orders throughout our land make it more difficult each year for us to get a foothold. By request two applications for charters have recently been forwarded, one to Canon City, Colorado, and one to Saratoga, Wyoming. We hope to hear very soon of good earnest Corps in each of these places.

DISBANDED CORPS.

Though we can report no new Corps organized this year, we are pleased to be able to report but one disbanded, that of Akron No. 36, with a loss to the Department of only three members. Brave little Akron, after a struggle of four years, with but five members, finally surrendered their charter voluntarily. They loved the cause and it was with sincere regret that they at last disbanded.

I found much work to do to encourage and strengthen some of our isolated Corps. Two of them were working under peculiar disadvantages and were greatly discouraged. For some time they were my constant thought and care, but I am glad to report one in a flourishing condition, the other on a fair way to success.

INSPECTION.

The work of inspection was systematically and economically planned. Several Corps were visited that, owing to their isolation, had not seen a Department Officer since 1897-98. They were found greatly in need of encouragement and were most eager for instructions in the floor work. In my opinion these far away Corps are to be commended for doing their work even moderately well, for they are without the stimulus which comes from contact with our co-workers from abroad. Two or three Corps, through the careless indifference of presiding officers, unwisely chosen, had not seen a general order for many months, and but for the correspondence necessary to carry on the work passing between

Department Headquarters and themselves, they scarcely knew we had a Department. Our Corps should exercise great care and sound judgment in the selection of their officers. Upon the whole I found the Corps of our Department as earnest and determined as only a band of loyal women can be. I was particularly fortunate in being able to officially visit and inspect the Corps at Laramie, Cheyenne, Greeley, Denver, Florence, Salida, Alamosa, Monte Vista, Amethyst, Durango, Buena Vista and Leadville. I am indeed grateful, both for myself and the Department, for the many courtesies extended to me during the trip.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

The work of the Woman's Relief Corps is so intimately connected with the Grand Army, that to speak of one almost of necessity includes the other. The fast thinning ranks of the old veterans should constantly remind us of our duty. But for them and their deeds of self sacrifice we should have no existence. Let us not call it charity, but rather appreciation for the prompt response to the country's danger signal, which actuates us in our relation to the Grand Army of the Republic.

SONS OF VETERANS.

Our relations with the Sons of Veterans have not been further extended; but through our mutual love for the Grand Army we long ago established a good fellowship which shall last as long as either organization exists. Let us aid and encourage them in the erection of their Memorial University, at Mason City, Iowa.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Our preparations for this event were more elaborate this year than usual, entailing some extra expense upon our Department; but we went to Chicago with a grand purpose and returned home victorious; bringing to our Department the highest honors in the power of that great convention to bestow. We had a fine representation from Colorado and Wyoming, all loyal and true to Mrs. Carr. All women of culture, as well as women of energy. This was my first national convention. Many times have I planned to attend, but this was the first time my plans carried me into the fray.

We could secure but five tickets to the grand stand to witness the parade, but those of us who were favored found it no hardship to sit in the hot sun for almost four hours watching the veterans, so proud of the tattered old battle flags they carried, many of them trying to deceive themselves into thinking they were young men in the vigor of life, instead of old and gray haired. When we heard our drum corps we knew the Colorado and Wyoming delegation would soon pass the grand stand and prepared to give them an ovation that should attract their attention, but we soon found our voices all too feeble to be heard in that din. As we noticed the faltering footsteps of the veterans, we were saddened

even in the midst of all the enthusiasm, for surely the ranks will be thinner by many a comrade before the next National Encampment.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The day revered in honor of the nation's dead brings to us year by year new responsibilities and new duties.

As the living ranks of the old "Boys in Blue" grow thinner with each Memorial Day, so the newly-made mounds of earth—their last camping ground in Life's journey—make fresh appeals to our sense of their heroic struggles and sacrifices.

As we bring our flowers to deck the graves of departed comrades, let us not forget our obligations to the living. Many a head will be bowed in grief on this anniversary; many a heart will feel the sting of sorrow afresh, and will once more long for "the touch of the vanished hand, the sound of a voice that is still." A word fitly spoken, a kindly deed in season, a salute to the badge, these and numerous other acts of kindness will soften the rough places of life and add a real value to the last floral offering. Do not forget the thousands of brave men whose last resting place can never be reached by mortal hands, on whose grave no blossom can be placed. Arrange some suitable offering for these. Let the "Memorial services for the unknown dead" be part of the exercises of every Corps.

Especially let the children's assistance be encouraged and appreciated. Their young hearts are susceptible to the teachings of loyalty and love. Help them in every way to emulate the patriotism of their fathers. Do not forget the action of the Twentieth Annual Encampment of the G. A. R. with regard to decorating the graves of the Spanish-American soldiers. They, too, are a part of our nation's dead.

"Rest on, embalmed and sainted dead,
Dear as the blood ye gave;
No impious footsteps here shall tread,
The herbage of your grave;
"Nor shall your glory be forgot,
While fame her record keeps,
Or honor points the hallowed spot,
Where Valor proudly sleeps."

IN MEMORIAM.

During the official year we have to record the death of three Past Commanders-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic: John P. Rea, John G. B. Adams and Albert D. Shaw. Twice we have draped our Charter. In memory of Sarah J. Martin, Past National President, who passed to her reward April 3, 1900; closely followed by her beloved National Secretary, Mary H. Shepherd, May 22, 1900.

Seventeen faithful members of our Order in this Department have been lost to us by death.

"They shall rest from their labors."

FINANCES.

All business propositions have been carefully considered and conducted on an economical basis. We are glad if we can show a

wise and judicious expenditure of the funds entrusted to our care, rather than a large surplus. We are organized to use our means in a noble cause.

This year our Department has had additional honors and dignities heaped upon it, and these things always bring expense with them. We feel that this expenditure was most wise and has brought to our Department large returns in the election of Mary L. Carr to the National Presidency. With it all I am glad to say that our treasury is now in better condition than when, thirteen months ago, the affairs of the Department were entrusted to me.

OFFICIAL DECISIONS.

Many questions have been referred to me for decision. Early in my administration several were submitted to my Counsellor, Alice M. Seeds. Later on I found Rules and Regulations covered all the questions submitted.

COMMITTEES.

Mrs. Clara Rapp was appointed a committee of one to renew all subscriptions to current literature for the Soldiers' Homes. Mrs. Rapp has served most faithfully on this committee for four consecutive years and her interest in the Soldier's Homes, added to her experience and excellent judgment, render her a most efficient officer.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

No. 1.—That the per capita tax to the Department remain 15 cents.

No. 2.—That representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

No. 3.—That Decision No. 22 be changed to read "6 per cent. of per capita tax be transferred to Department Relief Fund."

No. 4.—That a roster of the Department officers be issued in printed form soon after Department Convention annually.

No. 5.—That the design on our Department Banner be adopted as the design for badge of delegates from this Department to the National Convention; and that a die be cast for the same.

No. 6.—That a suitable book be furnished Department Headquarters for copying important official letters for reference.

No. 7.—That Department Aides badges be furnished by the Department, to revert with office.

No. 8.—That a suitable flag be furnished Department Headquarters for draping on National Holidays.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

To the Department Commander, Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, for their many and oft-repeated courtesies, I wish to extend my thanks. To my associate officers for their ever-cheerful and ready service; to the members of my own dear Corps, Caspar W. Collins, who have ever been a tower of strength and encouragement, and to every

member of the Department, who by their loyalty and patriotism, have sent us words of love and cheer, I would say, words fail to express my sincere appreciation of all you have been to me. Especially would I mention my faithful and esteemed Secretary and Treasurer, whose duties are so closely allied to my own. Friendships have been formed which I trust will last as long as "He lendeth me breath."

To the "National Standard" for the kindly interest shown in publishing our General Orders and all items of interest from the Corps of the Department, we are sincerely grateful.

To one and all who have contributed to the success of my year's work, if success there has been, I shall ever remember your kindness with pleasure. And as the tide of years roll on and earthly links are broken, I shall frequently encourage my thoughts to revert to the many happy, though anxious days spent as your co-worker.

CONCLUSION.

There have been many mistakes made, but I believe you know they were errors in judgment because of inexperience, rather than willful errors. I can conscientiously say, that in all things it has been my earnest endeavor to consider the best interests of our beloved Order, and I pray you cover my faults and failings with the mantle of charity.

The address was referred to the proper committee.

The President then declared the open session closed and the pass word was taken by the Conductors, who reported all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The President: I now declare this convention open for such business as may properly come before it.

The National Secretary, also a Past President of this Department, Mrs. Fannie D. W. Hardin, of Denver, Assistant National Inspector Sarah A. Tucker, of Pueblo, and National Aides Jessie Sharpe Purrier, Bessie French and Sarah B. C. Stephenson, were introduced and given the convention salute; also all the Department Officers present who were cordially received.

The reports of the Senior and Junior Vice-Presidents and Secretary were read and each referred to the proper committee.

Senior Vice President's Report.

Leadville, Colorado, March 14, 1901.

MRS. ANNA FISHBACK,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.—

I have the honor to submit the following report:

I am glad of the opportunity to offer my tribute of respect to the efforts of our Department President, who has met with such success for the organization which we serve.

Officially I have nothing worth mentioning to offer that I have accomplished in the year's work. I must say that I have ever held myself in readiness to respond to every call, and have regretted that there was not more for me to do.

I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to the few Corps it was my pleasure to inspect. I thought how true and loyal were many women who had to ride fifteen and twenty miles to attend Corps, and then get up nice dinners for the Grand Army men who make it a custom to come in and do their trading on Saturdays of each week.

I strongly urge that an Inspector be sent to every Corps, as it seems to encourage and strengthen them to greater work.

My sincere thanks are due to the Department President for kindnesses received and for her beautiful letters.

Owing to my sickness I was unable to attend the National Convention at Chicago as I had planned to do.

To all of my co-workers I desire to express my sincere thanks for courtesies extended me.

The Department President has sent the General Orders, her kindness which I now acknowledge. I sincerely trust the friendships I have formed in the past year may be lasting as they will be treasured in memory.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.,

JENNIE PADDOCK,
Department Senior Vice-President.

Junior Vice President's Report.

Pueblo, Colorado, April 9, 1901.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary W. R. C.—

My Dear Secretary: By the wayside of a busy life I have, during the past year, plucked a few W. R. C. flowers, the fragrance of which will remain with me during my future life. I now desire to submit to you a report of my work for the year.

The trip to the National Convention was full of interest and pleasure. It was my first National, and much of my pleasure was due to the kindness of our Department President and Secretary and the Past Department officers who were there, and I appreciate it very much. As you have heard from our President and will hear more from our Delegate-at-Large about it, I will take no more time.

At the close of the convention I spent several days at Danville, Ill., visiting the National Soldier's Home there. This Home was located at Danville by an act of Congress, June 4, 1897. In July, 1898, Col. E. V. Brown was made temporary Governor, and opened headquarters in a little house which is still standing. The first member admitted was Charles Butler, who was admitted October 13, 1898. There are about 300 acres in the Home property, having two large groves, and a lake covering about 40 acres, which the members have named "Lake Clements" after the present

Governor. The Hospital building, which will accommodate about 300 patients, is situated in one of the groves. It is fitted up with all modern improvements and the rooms are very comfortable, and are so arranged that while situated in the grove each room has the sunlight at some time during the day.

The great central mess hall and kitchen is 210 by 236 feet. Above the dining hall is an assembly hall, library, billiard and reading rooms. The kitchen is most completely equipped with all modern utensils for cooking and dish washing. The dining room has large solid oak tables, seating twenty at a table. The captain of the dining hall and kitchen was very kind in showing me round and explaining everything to me. The baker showed me their apparatus for baking, a large patent bread mixer and oven holding 500 pounds of bread.

At that time there were twelve barracks buildings finished; these are arranged around the central mess hall in a circle, and are 235 by 60 feet, three stories with basement, and each will accommodate about 200 men. They are steam heated and electric lighted and have large bath and toilet rooms, also a smoking room on each floor.

The convalescent barracks was nearing completion and is for those who, while not sick enough to be in the hospital, are not well enough to go from the barracks to the mess hall, and this building has a dining room in it. The plans call for sixteen barrack buildings in all and with the hospital are designed to accommodate 4,000 men. There is a laundry, power house, morgue, quartermaster's headquarters and street car depot, all built of red brick with stone trimmings and equipped with all modern conveniences.

In the southwest corner of the grounds is the cemetery and at the time of my visit there were 42 graves there. Two members being buried last week. When this Home is completed and the grounds laid out with flower beds and the walks put in, and the trees and sod grow around the buildings, it will be a pretty and comfortable place. At that time there were about 1,100 members. The Adjutant's report of the 15th of March, this year, shows a total membership of 2,056; 1,739 present at the Home and 129 sick. I met several comrades from Colorado and all whom I met seemed to think it was their duty to assist in some way to make my visit a pleasant one.

On the morning of the 9th of November I started for Colorado Springs for my work of inspection; arriving there I received a most cordial welcome at the pleasant home of the President, Mrs. Jennie Dunnington. After lunch we went to the hall for the meeting and again I was most cordially received. It is a great pleasure to meet with this Corps. The attendance was large, the work well done, and an enjoyable time was had at the close of the meeting visiting with the ladies and partaking of a very nice lunch which they had prepared.

In the evening I took a car for the hall to go with the ladies to Manitou, but owing to a slow clock, or a tardy street car, I



MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,
Department Secretary.

found on reaching the hall that they had gone, thinking that I was with one of their members. A comrade who was there took me to the street car and started me for Manitou, but neither of us knew where the Corps there met. On leaving the street car where I thought the meeting would be, I found the hall was dark, and while trying to decide what to do I saw two ladies coming down the walk, and on speaking to them I found that they were looking for the Inspector. At the hall were but a few of the Manitou ladies, as their membership is small, but a large number of the Colorado Springs members. After going through with the work, one of the ladies gave the signal and the comrades came in for supper and a short time was spent in a social way. The trip back to the Springs was a very jolly one.

At eight the next morning I left the Springs for Elbert, and was met at the depot there by the Corps President, Mrs. Lundy, and the Treasurer, Mrs. Grebe. We went to the home of the latter and examined the Treasurer's books, and about noon went to the hall where the ladies had the tables set for dinner; it is unnecessary to say, especially to those who have had the pleasure of visiting Elbert County Corps, that we had a fine dinner. Some time was spent after dinner chatting with the comrades and friends before going to the hall for Corps meeting. We had just commenced our work when the President, Mrs. Lundy, was taken sick and had to go to the home of a friend; the senior vice-president took the chair and did the work very nicely. At the close of the meeting we went to the schoolhouse where the ladies had, under the direction of our Department Patriotic Instructor, Mrs. Killin, arranged for the presentation and raising of a large flag; following these exercises was a nice programme by the pupils of the school. Next morning I left for Denver and spent the day with our Secretary and reached home Sunday night, having decided that while there is some hard work about inspection, there is also much that is enjoyable.

My next work was in the preparation for this meeting, and I will leave the ladies to judge whether we have been successful in our efforts to make this a pleasant and profitable time; and I bid you all a most cordial welcome to our city.

I wish to thank the ladies for the honor conferred upon me in the last convention in electing me to this office; also the President and Secretary for their many kind words.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

SARAH A. TUCKER,

Department Junior Vice-President.

Report of Department Secretary.

Office of Department Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President—

Madam: In accordance with Rules and Regulations, I herewith submit to you the following report of the membership and condition of this Department, for my official year ending April 12, 1901.

Your administration opened with 45 Corps and a membership of 1541. The following tables show the gains and losses for the year:

RETURNS OF THE FIRST QUARTER, 1900.

GAINS.

By Charter	41
By Initiation	87
By transfer	17
By reinstatement	32
By delinquent reports	71
Total	218

LOSSES.

By death	8
By honorable discharge	9
By transfer	15
By suspension	16
By delinquent reports	102
Total	150

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1900.

GAINS.

By Initiation	64
By transfer	5
By reinstatement	33
By delinquent reports	56
Total ..	163

LOSSES.

By death	4
By honorable discharge	6
By transfer	16
By suspension	96
By dishonorable discharge	1
By delinquent reports	96
Total ..	219

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1901.

GAINS.

By initiation	46
By transfer	4
By reinstatement	40
By delinquent reports	96
Total ..	186

LOSSES.

By death ..	2
By honorable discharge ..	5
By transfer ..	5
By suspension ..	79
By delinquent reports ..	137
Total ..	228

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1900.

GAINS.

By initiation	99
By transfer	15
By reinstatement	89
By delinquent reports	107
Total	310

LOSSES.

By death	2
By honorable discharge	12
By transfer	12
By suspension	74
By delinquent reports	96
Total ..	196

The year closed with a total of 43 Corps and a membership of 1655, making the gain for the year 114.

AMOUNT OF RELIEF EXPENDED, 1900.

CASH.

1st Quarter	\$ 370.94
2d Quarter	384.93
3d Quarter	267.53
4th Quarter	908.57
Total ..	\$1931.99

OTHER THAN MONEY.

1st Quarter	\$ 517.20
2d Quarter	444.80
3d Quarter	364.05
4th Quarter	712.00
Total	\$2,039.00

Number of soldiers assisted during the year.....295

Number of persons assisted during the year.....479

CORPS OF THE ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut No. 1	Denver, Colo.
Upton No. 2	Pueblo, Colo.
Colorado Springs No. 4	Colorado Springs, Colo.
T. H. Todd No. 5	Golden, Colo.
Geo. G. Meade No. 6	Denver, Colo.
Myron W. Reed No. 7	Rifle, Colo.
James A. Garfield No. 8	Leadville, Colo.
J. F. Reynolds No. 9	Cheyenne, Wyo.
Gunnison No. 12	Gunnison, Colo.
Caspar W. Collins, No. 13	Rawlins, Wyo.
Veteran No. 14	Denver, Colo.
U. S. Grant No. 15	Greeley, Colo.
Grand Junction No. 17	Grand Junction, Colo.
R. A. Cameron No. 18	Fort Morgan, Colo.
Winfield J. Scott No. 19	Aspen, Colo.
Custer No. 20	Laramie, Wyo.
Reno No. 21	Denver, Colo.
Mulligan No. 22	Springfield, Colo.
J. W. Anderson No. 23	Cripple Creek, Colo.

W. T. Sherman No. 24	Evans, Colo.
Pfeiffer No. 25	Alamosa, Colo.
Geo. H. Thomas No. 26	Fort Collins, Colo.
Nathaniel Lyon No. 27	Boulder, Colo.
Ellsworth No. 28	Central City, Colo.
A. J. Smith No. 21	Florence, Colo.
McPherson No. 32	Longmont, Colo.
E. M. Stanton No. 37	Salida, Colo.
Pike's Peak No. 39	Manitou, Colo.
M. M. Crocker No. 40	Denver, Colo.
George Washington No. 42	Denver, Colo.
Phil Sheridan No. 44	Buena Vista, Colo.
Joe Hooker No. 43	Monte Vista, Colo.

Richardson Corps No. 33 disbanded March 13th, 1900, and was reported at last convention; and Akron No. 36 disbanded in June, 1900; both Corps sending all supplies to these headquarters.

Applications for charter have been sent to Canon City, Colo., and to Saratoga and Rock Springs, Wyo.

The Corps holding the largest membership at close of the year is J. W. Anderson No. 23 of Cripple Creek, with 120 members. This Corps also shows the largest number initiated during the year, having initiated 26.

Colorado Springs No. 4, of Colorado Springs, exceeds the other Corps in the amount of money expended in relief, the cash being \$495.78; relief other than money, \$469.45.

Geo. G. Meade No. 6, of Denver, comes second in expenditure of relief, the cash being \$245.78; relief other than money, \$366.75.

Since December 31st there have been gained to this Department 85 new members—71 by initiation and 14 by transfer. Also \$748.39 has been expended in relief; \$508.54 in cash and \$239.85 other than money.

There has been issued from these headquarters during the year 8 General Orders, 2 Special Orders, 1 Memorial Order and 5 Circular Letters.

No Department Secretary's Report could be complete without the usual lugubrious howl about delinquent Corps. We feel at headquarters that we have been very indulgent to slow Corps, giving them overtime and holding back our reports to National Secretary as long as we dared in order to give ample time for reports to come in. We have exhausted every effort at our command to make clear to Corps Presidents their responsibility in this matter, but notwithstanding all our exertions we have been unable to send to National Secretary a single report unmarred by delinquent Corps; and we do ask every Corps President to remember that she has obligated herself to perform the duties of her office, and one of them is, to see that all reports are properly made out and forwarded with the per capita tax, to the Department Secretary immediately after the first meeting in each quarter. Your Department officers are anxious to make a good showing at National Headquarters, and we earnestly request your hearty co-operation in this detail of our work.

During my inspection trip and while at the National Convention, it was my pleasure to meet many noble women, painstaking, faithful, brave women, who, though many of them carry burdens

of their own, were unselfishly and without display contributing their mite—doing what they could to help along our great work. God bless such women! They may not be in the dress parade, nor in the front seats, but they are the stuff that goes to make the bone and sinew of any organization to which they belong. I esteem it a privilege to have felt the gentle influence pervading the personality of such wives and mothers; and I congratulate our Department upon her good fortune in having so many, bearing this stamp of womanhood, among her number.

Now to my host of correspondents. I so recently became a member of this Department, that I may safely say you are almost all strangers to me, and many times when you have been administering to me a gentle "roast," I have been very thankful that you did not know me any better, for if you had I should never have gotten off as easily, but on the whole I greatly enjoyed my letters from you, and it gives me pleasure to thank both Department and Corps officers for their forbearance and many kind favors (including the "roasts").

To Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, with whom I have been in constant touch during the year, I would say with all fervor my thanks are indeed due to her for the unfailing patience my awkwardness and blunders (the fruit of inexperience) have always elicited at her hands; and though the tie that has held us so closely may no longer exist, my hope is that it may merge into a warmer friendship, and the future years afford me an opportunity to express the depth of my appreciation for her many courtesies and to make known to her the sincere regard with which I shall ever hold her.

And to my Department President—what shall I say that will be commensurate with my feelings? Shoulder to shoulder we have stood facing friends and foes together (although there have been times, as you well know, when I should have run had I not been so closely hemmed in). But somehow, you always stood firm and when the smoke cleared away, I usually rallied and was proud to be seen at your side. Often when I have been completely at bay with some difficulty, you have come, and with your sound good sense and executive ability, have made clear to me the course to pursue. And though you have been indulgent to a degree wherever the labor of your officers have been concerned, you have shown no leniency to yourself, and it is to your untiring efforts and unfaltering zeal for the cause, that we must look for the success of the past year's work. Your labors have been unstinted, your heart and hand ever ready, yes, you have made it your imperative duty to uphold the Union Veteran, and with a spirit of love and devotion to country, left no stone unturned to further his interest and to maintain in all its glory the flag he gave us. My dear President, when I saw you take up your work with that deep sense of responsibility, realizing the sacredness of the trust imposed upon you, I felt proud of the honor you had bestowed upon me; and now knowing our relationship is about to be terminated, I say with all candor, that I lay down my work with great reluctance. You have completely won my confidence and esteem and

I shall always be happy to "fall in" as one of the rank and file whenever you may lead. May the sun of good fortune shine about you and the winds of adversity never reach you.

Submitted in F. C. & L.,

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary.

Mrs. Jennie Paddock, Senior Vice-President:—

Mrs. President, in behalf of the ladies of this Department I wish to present you with this token of our appreciation of what you have accomplished during the past year. We thank you for all you have done for us.

Presenting the President with \$50 in gold.

The President responded in a few words, thanking the ladies for their testimonial.

Committees were appointed as follows:

President's Address—

Sara B. C. Stephenson	No. 26.
Ella L. C. Dwinnell	No. 4.
Arabella C. Johnson	No. 18.

Senior Vice-President's Report:—

Bessie French	No. 2.
Ella Byers	No. 6.
Madeline Sloan	No. 16.

Junior Vice-President's Report:—

Lyda Bateman	No. 4.
Hannah Starbird	No. 5.
Anna Behney	No. 6.

Secretary's Report:—

Eloise Lehow	No. 6.
Kate M. Clatworthy	No. 18.
Theresa A. Jenkins	No. 9.

Treasurer's Report:—

Ida Critchell	No. 21.
Lydia C. Young	No. 24.
Sadie M. Fisher	No. 9.

Chaplain's Report:—

Susie Searle	No. 8.
Julia Ferris	No. 13.
Emma Collins	No. 14.

Counselor's Report:—

Rosetta Fairchild	No. 1.
Jessie Sharpe Purrier	No. 12.
Adela Dittman	No. 18.

Inspector's Report:—

Hattie Hartshorn	No. 19.
Jane Allison	No. 7.
Minnie Haas	No. 9.

I. & I. Officer's Report:—

Loretta Peabody	No. 4.
Ida Critchell	No. 21.
L. C. Herriot	No. 24.

Patriotic Instructor's Report:—

Stella Kyle	No. 23.
Ella Wheatley	No. 32.
Sadie Cole	No. 25.

Press Correspondent's Report:—

Lydia C. Young	No. 24.
Sara B. C. Stephenson	No. 26.

Report of Chairman of Department Relief:—

Carrie Ashbaugh	No. 28.
Marie Baillie	No. 20.
Fannie Dickey	No. 27.

Report of Delegate-at-Large:—

Ella Wayne	No. 31.
Mary P. Smith	No. 35.
Sarah J. Jarrett	No. 37.

Report of Chief Aide:—

Alice Smith	No. 23.
Minnie Beetham	No. 15.
Achsa Pray	No. 39.

Courtesies and Telegrams:—

Lucy M. Campbell	No. 40.
Susie Carr McGwire	No. 32.
Fannie J. Ames	No. 6.

Resolutions:—

Mary Jewitt Telford	No. 17.
Ella L. C. Dwinnell	No. 4.
Margelia Hamilton	No. 6.

To visit the Ladies of the G. A. R.—

Theresa A. Jenkins	No. 9.
Emma Adams	No. 27.
Bacia Grebe	No. 29.

To visit the G. A. R.—

Mary L. Carr	No. 32.
Mary Jewitt Telford	No. 17.
Ella C. Dwinnell	No. 4.
Fannie D. W. Hardin	No. 6.
Lucy M. Campbell	No. 40.

To visit the Sons of Veterans:—

Fannie D. W. Hardin	No. 6.
Elizabeth Bartlett	No. 17.
Susie Carr McGwire	No. 32.

To visit the Ladies Aid to the Sons of Veterans:—

Jessie Pond	No. 42.
Raynle Hobart	No. 6.
Grace Carson	No. 24.

Moved by Mrs. Young that we adjourn to meet this afternoon at 1:30. Seconded by several. Carried.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by the Department President at 2 o'clock.

Conductors reported all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The Department Treasurer, Mrs. Clara Rapp, being absent, her report was read by Mrs. Ida Critchell of Denver.

Report of Department Treasurer.

Omaha, Nebraska, April 5, 1901.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary W. R. C.—

Madam: In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith a financial statement for the year ending March 31st, 1901:

ACCOUNT CURRENT.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

GENERAL FUND.

	Debit.
Balance in General Fund.....	\$ 86.54
Per Capita Tax	995.10
Sale of Supplies	335.12
Express Charges refunded by National Treasurer.....	1.50
Amount refunded by Olive McKee .....	.75
Per Capita Tax, First Quarter of 1901.....	186.60
Total Receipts	\$1,605.61

GENERAL FUND.

Credit.

Sarah A. Tucker, Assistant Secretary Department Convention, 1900	\$ 10.00
Alice M. Seeds, Past Department President, Railroad Fare	8.25
Alice M. Seeds, Past Department President, Expense Department Convention	2.30
Stella A. Kyle, Past Department Secretary, Railroad Fare	10.50
Alice Smith (Auditing Committee)	4.75
Olive McKee, (Railroad Fare).....	4.75
Expenses at Albany Hotel, Department Convention 1900, for Alice M. Seeds, Department President, and Stella A. Kyle Secretary.....	23.00
Salary and Postage, Stella A. Kyle, Past Department Secretary	10.35
Indemnity Bond for Department Treasurer.....	5.50
Expense Department Treasurer Mrs. C. Rapp, Convention 1900	3.50
Minnie E. Kingsford, Department President, Expense National Convention 1900	48.60
Badges for National Convention, 1900.....	15.50
Printing Journals, Sixteenth Annual Convention..	144.00
Printing Cards and Envelopes for Mary L. Carr..	6.25
Postage on Journals	12.87

Expense connected with printing Journals, Alice M. Seeds, Past Department President	2.35	
Express Charges Refunded to Corps No. 4 .....	.75	
Supplies (Flags and Stands)	12.95	
Expense of office of Patriotic Instructor, Olive Killin ..	1.25	
Salary Department Secretary	75.00	
Salary Department Treasurer	75.00	
Expense of Inspection of Corps	120.30	
To National Treasurer, for Supplies	252.54	
Per Capita Tax, to National Treasurer	168.93	
Printing General Orders, Stationery and Circular Letters ..	66.00	
Transferred to Relief Fund	100.01	
Postage and Telegrams	78.20	
Express and Cartage	17.87	
Office expense Department Officers, revenue stamps and car fare	24.20	
Testimonial for Department President, Minnie E. Kingsford	50.00	
Total expended		\$1,355.47
To balance		250.14

\$1,605.61

RELIEF FUND.

	Debit.	
Balance ..	\$ 62.79	
Transferred from General Fund	100.01	
Transferred from Emergency Fund	38.60	
National W. R. C. Home, Madison, Ohio	14.00	
Total Received		\$ 215.40

RELIEF FUND.

	Credit.	
Jennie McGill, Chairman Department Relief Committee ..	\$ 90.00	
Adda Ulen, Department Relief Committee	4.05	
National Treasurer for W. R. C. Home	11.00	
Subscription for one year National Standard, Munsey's and Scribner's Magazine for W. R. C. Home	3.00	
Total expended		\$ 108.05
To Balance		107.35

\$ 215.40

SPECIAL FUNDS.

	Debit.	
Emergency Fund	\$ 38.60	
National Council of Women	3.90	
Memorial Day in the South	24.85	
Andersonville Prison Fund	11.34	
Soldier's and Sailor's Home, Monte Vista, Colo. ..	66.50	
Soldier's and Sailor's Home, Cheyenne, Wyo.	18.50	
Monument Fund, Loyal Women 1861-1865	5.00	
Total ..		\$ 168.69

SPECIAL FUNDS.

	Credit.	
Transferred to Relief Fund from Emergency F'd. ..	\$ 38.60	
To National Treasurer of National Council of Women ..	3.90	

To National Treasurer for Memorial Day in the South ..	24.85
To National Treasurer for Andersonville Prison Fund ..	11.34
To Mrs. Clara Rapp, Committee for Soldier's Homes—	
For Colorado Home	66.50
For Wyoming Home	18.50
To National Treasurer for Monument Fund, Loyal Women 1861-1865	4.00
Total expended	\$ 167.69
To Balance	1.00

\$ 168.69

TEXAS RELIEF FUND.

	Debit.
McPherson Corps No. 32	\$ 35.00
Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27	10.00
U. S. Grant Corps No. 15	10.00
Elbert County Corps No. 29	1.00
Sedgwick Corps No. 3	2.00
A. E. Burnside Corps No. 38	16.50
Wadsworth Corps No. 16	5.00
Pfeiffer Corps No. 25	5.00
R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18	5.00
Total Receipts	\$ 89.50

TEXAS RELIEF FUND.

	Credit.
To National Treasurer, for Tex. Relief Fund..	\$ 89.50
Memorandum of money sent direct to Mrs. Mina Metcalf, Department Treasurer of Texas:—	
By Farragut Corps No. 1	\$ 1.00
By Upton Corps No. 2	5.00
By Colorado Springs Corps No. 4	10.00
By T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5	5.00
By Geo. G. Meade Corps No. 6	5.00
By Myron W. Reed Corps No. 7	5.00
By J. A. Garfield Corps No. 8	10.00
By J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9	10.00
By North Fork Corps No. 11	10.00
By Gunnison Corps No. 12	5.00
By C. W. Collins Corps No. 13	5.00
Veteran Corps No. 14	5.00
By Grand Junction Corps No. 17	5.00
By R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18	5.00
By Winfield Scott Corps No. 19	5.00
By Custer Corps No. 20	5.00
By Mulligan Corps No. 22	17.00
By J. W. Anderson Corps No. 23	5.00
By W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24	5.00
By G. H. Thomas Corps No. 26	15.00
By Ellsworth Corps No. 28	10.00
By Major Anderson Corps No. 35	3.00
By Pike's Peak Corps No. 39	5.00
By M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40	5.00
By Geo. Washington Corps No. 42	1.00
By Phil Sheridan Corps No. 44	2.00
By J. C. Fremont Corps No. 45	5.00
Total	\$ 169.00
By Grand Junction Corps No. 17, direct to Governor of Texas	\$ 80.00
Total Contributed to Texas Relief Fund	\$ 338.50

ASSETS.

Cash Balance in General Fund	\$250.14
Cash Balance in Relief Fund	107.35
Cash Balance in Monument Fund for Loyal Women 1861-1865	1.09
Total Cash on Hand	\$ 358.49
Value of Department Property	387.52
Value of Corps Supplies	77.10
Total Value of Property and Supplies	\$ 464.62
Total Assets	\$ 823.11

NO LIABILITIES.

LIST OF SUPPLIES (CORPS).

4 Silk Flags damaged	\$12.21
33 Corps Officers' Badges	1.00
4 Bronze Pins	2.50
1 Gold Pin	6.00
6 Rolled Gold Pins	1.00
1 Rolled Gold Charm	1.22
4 Yards 1½ inch Badge Ribbon, Membership.....	.59
2 1-3 Yards Badge Ribbon, Corps Officers.....	.63
2½ Yards Badge Ribbon, Department Officers.....	.73
26 Emblems	1.00
4 Rituals	4.50
18 Corps Service Books—One 1888; two 1893; two 1900; thirteen 1901	2.17
31 Rules and Regulations .....	.08
8 Applications for Membership .....	.96
48 Corps Treasurers' Bonds .....	.40
5 Sheet Music, Opening Ode .....	.40
2 Sheet Music, Initiation March	1.11
77 Ode Cards .....	.44
22 Discharge Cards	1.52
76 Transfer Cards	1.04
52 Visiting Cards .....	.40
1 Small Journal	2.00
4 Small Ledgers	1.00
2 Small Cash Books	1.80
2 Cash Books	1.00
2 Corps Treasurer Receipt Books	1.80
3 General Order Files	2.20
4 Journals	5.25
1 Set Silk Flags	2.50
1 Set Bunting Flags	1.40
2 Letter Files	1.95
3 Red Books 1900 .....	.35
1 Large Electro .....	.25
2 Small Electros .....	.60
2 Large Electros, Eagle	1.60
40 Specimen Sheets Ledger	1.60
40 Specimen Sheets Cash Books	3.23
328 Corps Treasurer Report Blanks Form W.....	1.00
4 Patriotic Primers	4.50
6 Parliamentary Rules .....	.52
52 Instructions to Auditing Committee .....	.44
59 Invoice of Supplies .....	.76
76 Ballots .....	.25
1 Charter	
Total	\$77.10

LIST OF DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES AND PROPERTY.

1 Hectograph	\$ 3.50
1 Letter Scale	1.50
Banners	300.00
9 Silver Bar Pins	27.00
1 Trunk, Secretary	4.50
1 Trunk, Treasurer	6.00
1 Supply Ledger	6.50
1 Per Capita Tax Book	2.75
1 Ledger	8.00
1 Seal	3.00
1 Charter	10.00
15 Department Official Badges	5.55
1 Large Electro .....	.35
1 Small Electro .....	.25
1 Red Book .....	.65
10 Commissions .....	.50
1/2 Yard Ribbon, Charter .....	.25
1 Box Red and Gold Seals .....	.75
4 Flag Stands	1.00
15 Mailing Tubes .....	.45
1 Beath's Blue Book	1.00
18 Ode Cards .....	.27
10 Rituals	2.50
3 Corps Service Books .....	.75
1 Department and National Installation Book .....	.25
1 Department Service Book .....	.25
Total	\$387.52

FREE BLANKS DEPARTMENT TREASURER.

- 21 Journals 15th Annual Convention.
- 46 Form O.
- 9 Applications for Charter.
- 734 Form B.
- 10 Form J.
- 17 Form N.
- 25 Form U.
- 2 Department Requisition Books.

FREE BLANKS HEADQUARTERS.

- 1 Corps Requisition.
- 500 Form A.
- 150 Form J.
- 7 Bound Journals, National.
- 4 Unbound Journals, National.
- 8 Unbound Journals, Department.
- 54 Small Silk Flags sent to Minnie E. Kingsford, Department President, to be sold at convention value.....\$8.10

This report finishes my work. It is very gratifying to me that I am able to turn over to my successor a good balance.

I have served you faithfully and to the best of my ability, always endeavoring to further the interests of the Order. My re-election to this office of honor and trust for five consecutive years leads me to believe that my work has gained your approval. I appreciate your confidence as shown to me during this period and my sisters of the Woman's Relief Corps, I thank you.

To our honored and beloved National President and Secretary, who have so kindly answered inquiries, thanks are due.

To the Department President and to you, Madam Secretary, I express my appreciation of your unwearied kindness and consideration.

Regretting my inability to be present during the convention I send greetings: May this be one of the best conventions yet held; may our motto "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty" prevail in all your deliberations, and may God bless you in all your labors.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

CLARA RAPP,

Department Treasurer.

The National President, Mrs. Mary L. Carr, and the National Secretary, Mrs. Fannie D. W. Hardin, were escorted to the platform by the Conductor and introduced to the convention; also Past Department President Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell, of Denver, and given the convention salute.

In the absence of the Department Chaplain, Mrs. Pauline Ashbaugh, her report was read by Carrie Ashbaugh, as follows:

Report of Department Chaplain.

Central City, Colorado, March 23, 1901.

MRS. MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President, W. R. C.—

Dear Madam: I have the honor to submit for your approval my report to the Seventeenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

May I be pardoned for taxing the patience of this convention long enough to express, in the name of Ellsworth Relief Corps No. 28, the thanks of their members for the recognition shown in selecting one from their ranks for a Department office.

To attempt to express in words my own personal pleasure my deep sense of the honor conferred upon me, would indeed be futile; such consideration from the Order which I have always so loved and respected, has made me proud and happy through all the year that is past, and the remembrance will go along with me through the coming years of life, giving them a tinge of brightness whatever may be their vicissitudes. Dear Sisters, accept my thanks for the position of Department Chaplain, and be assured that in so bestowing it you did a very gracious act, and made one "little old lady" feel very important.

Many of the Corps were very prompt in forwarding their Memorial Day reports, and the tenor of those reports was significant evidence of the place which that day occupies in the hearts of our people. The "heartly sympathy and co-operation of the citizens," so frequently alluded to, being a convincing proof that the high calling of our Order is understood and appreciated.

It might not be inappropriate just here to make a suggestion to the Corps Chaplain, not in a spirit of censoriousness, but lovingly, as one talks to another in the interest of some much loved object. Our report to the National Convention gives the Department but thirty-six Corps. There are forty-five Corps on the roster, forty reported to me, four being too late.

If the Corps Chaplains will forward their reports as soon after the Memorial Day as the items can be obtained it will make a difference in our standing in the National Convention. All reports should be in the hands of the Department Chaplain as early as the first week in June, as her consolidated report must reach the National Chaplain by the twentieth. And it seems to me that all Corps should report whether they have observed Memorial Day or not, as I see no other time or place for their coming to the attention of the National Convention. Will not the delegates call the attention of their respective Corps to the importance of these suggestions? Thus will the showing of our Department be materially improved and more in accordance with the facts in the case.

• But along with the encouraging account of Memorial work, along with the fragrance of flowers, the sweet strains of music, the rustling of silken flags, come now and then a sad little note like an undertone of sorrow. "Our Corps is called upon to mourn for the death of one of our members. She was such a dear sister, we shall miss her so much." Only a few short words, but they will tell the story of a good life closed, of busy hands folded, their work laid by, their woman's work, of which there is so much to do in this old world of ours.

Nine times has the sad refrain reached us in the past year.

LAURA MASON, Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, died March 1, 1900.

MRS. GAVIN, Pike's Peak Corps No. 37, Manitou, died Mar. 14, 1900.

MRS. MATTIE A. GIBSON, George Washington Corps No. 42, Denver, died June 3, 1900.

ALICE HOUGH, Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 37, Boulder, died July, 1900.

DR. ALVIRA J. CARDWELL, Reno Corps No. 21, Denver, died September 23, 1900.

MRS. CELIA CHASE, T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5, Golden, died September, 1900.

MYRA PETERSON, M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40, Denver, died June 19, 1900.

MARY E. CHAPLAIN, M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40, Denver, died June 2, 1900.

NANCY LUKE, G. H. Thomas Corps No. 26, Fort Collins, died February, 1901.

MRS. MILLIE BUMP, Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, died November 5, 1900.

MRS. ELIZE KNOTT, Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, died January 10, 1901.

MRS. LOUISA BALLARD, Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, died February, 1901.

DR. CAROLINE L. PARKER, Denver.

MRS. LOUISE SHERMAN, Colorado Springs Corps No. 4, Colorado Springs, died January, 1901.

HANNAH ABIA WANNEMAKER, T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5, died July 23, 1900.

She was one of the oldest members and was loved by every member.

INA THOMAS McLEOD, J. W. Anderson Corps No. 23, Cripple Creek, died January 10, 1901.

REBECCA GOLDEN, McPherson Corps No. 32, Longmont, died February 7, 1901.

MRS. MINNIE REMBALL, Farragut Corps No. 1, Denver, died March 17, 1901.

~~REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN FOR THE YEAR 1901~~

This year of office has been very precious to me. The reports of the Corps Chaplains indicate such fine patriotism, such true womanliness, that I realize more thoroughly than ever before, how many good women there are in the Order, and am thankful to be one of them.

Accompanying this is a tabulated report from which I make this final summary.

Total number of Corps on roster.....	45
Total number of Corps reporting	40
Total number of delinquent Corps	5
Total number of deaths reported to Department Chaplain....	18
Total membership reported	1712
Number of members taking part in Memorial Exercises....	993
Number of Corps taking part in Sabbath Memorial Exercises	36
Number of old soldiers' graves decorated	5,164
Number of children taking part	12,762
Expenses incurred for Memorial Day	\$420.82
Number of Corps providing refreshments for Post.....	11
Number of Corps providing flowers for Memorial purposes	38
Number of Corps providing Memorial for unknown dead..	35
Amount of money sent South for Memorial Day	\$ 12.50
Amount of money reported as expended for Memorial Day..	\$420.82
Total amount expended for Memorial Day	\$433.32

In the hope that this meeting of the convention may be especially happy and successful, that my successor may receive just such abiding benefit as has come to me as Department Chaplain, and thanking our kind President, Mrs. Kingsford, for her courteous treatment, for her patience with my many shortcomings, and with the earnest prayer that if not permitted to meet my fellow officers in this world, I may meet them in a country where there are no disappointments, this report is

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

PAULINE ASHBAUGH,

Department Chaplain W. R. C.

Memorial Report

NAME OF CORPS.	No.
Farragut.....	1
Upton.....	2
Sedgwick.....	3
Colorado Springs.....	4
T. H. Dodd.....	5
Geo. G. Mead.....	6
Myron W. Reed.....	7
Jas. A. Garfield.....	8
J. F. Reynolds.....	9
North Fork.....	11
Gunnison.....	12
J. W. Collins.....	13
Veteran.....	14
U. S. Grant.....	15
Wadsworth.....	16
Grand Junction.....	17
R. A. Cameron.....	18
Winfield Scott.....	19
Custer.....	20
Keno.....	21
J. W. Anderson.....	23
W. T. Sherman.....	24
Pfeiffer.....	25
Geo. H. Thomas.....	26
Nathaniel Lyons.....	27
Ellsworth.....	28
Elbert County.....	29
A. J. Smith.....	31
McPherson.....	32
Major Anderson.....	35
Akron.....	36
E. M. Stanton.....	37
E. A. Burnside.....	38
Pike's Peak.....	39
M. M. Crocker.....	40
Victor.....	41
George Washington.....	42
Joe Hooker.....	43
Phil Sheridan.....	44
John C. Fremont.....	45

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Memorial Report of Chaplain, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	Number Members Taking Part on Memorial Day.	Did Corps as Body Attend Sabbath Memorial Service?	How Many Soldiers' Graves Were Decorated?	How Many Children Took Part?	What Expense Was Incurred?	Were Refreshments Provided for the Post?	Were Flowers Provided Post by Purchase or Contribution?	Was a Memorial Prepared to Unknown Dead?	Amount of Contributions Sent for Memorial Day in the South.
Farragut.....	1	Denver.....	51	51	yes	280	25	4 00	no	both	yes	.....
Upton.....	2	Pueblo.....	47	28	yes	160	10	10 00	no	both	yes	.....
Sedgwick.....	3	Durango.....	29	16	yes	12	120	10 00	no	con	yes	.....
Colorado Springs.....	4	Colo. Springs.....	105	59	no	96	5	5 00	no	con	yes	.....
T. H. Dodd.....	5	Golden.....	36	11	yes	31	.....	.....	no	con	no	.....
Geo. G. Mead.....	6	Denver.....	78	20	yes	080	1	1 00	no	both	yes	.....
Myron W. Reed.....	7	Rifle.....	19	11	yes	6	50	.....	yes	con	yes	.....
Jas. A. Garfield.....	8	Leadville.....	60	45	yes	163	115	20 00	yes	con	yes	.....
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	Cheyenne.....	38	.....	no	95	250	25 00	.....	both	no	.....
North Fork.....	11	Hotchkiss.....	19	19	no	.....	22	.....	yes	con	yes	.....
Gunnison.....	12	Gunnison.....	20	12	yes	.....	2 00	.....	no	con	yes	.....
J. W. Collins.....	13	Rawlins, Wyo.....	35	21	yes	15	100	25 00	no	both	yes	.....
Veteran.....	14	Denver.....	64	50	yes	187	2000	10 00	no	pur	yes	.....
U. S. Grant.....	15	Greeley.....	49	40	yes	45	50	.....	no	con	yes	2 00
Wadsworth.....	16	Rocky Ford.....	31	15	yes	34	.....	.....	no	con	yes	.....
Grand Junction.....	17	Grand Junction.....	50	25	yes	25	600	15 00	no	con	yes	.....
R. A. Cameron.....	18	Fort Morgan.....	33	28	yes	5	10	2 00	yes	con	yes	1 00
Winfield Scott.....	19	Aspen.....	29	10	yes	58	.....	6 25	no	con	yes	.....
Custer.....	20	Laramie, Wyo.....	38	21	yes	67	8	30 00	no	both	yes	2 00
Keno.....	21	Denver.....	53	53	yes	700	1000	3 00	no	pur	yes	1 00
J. W. Anderson.....	23	Cripple Creek.....	112	50	yes	36	2 00	41 22	yes	pur	no	1 00
W. T. Sherman.....	24	Evans.....	19	17	yes	12	75	.....	yes	con	yes	.....
Pfeiffer.....	25	Alamosa.....	27	16	yes	16	20	20 00	no	con	yes	.....
Geo. H. Thomas.....	26	Fort Collins.....	75	50	yes	80	.....	.....	yes	con	no	.....
Nathaniel Lyons.....	27	Boulder.....	97	50	yes	90	50	.....	no	con	yes	.....
Ellsworth.....	28	Central City.....	47	35	yes	15	25	12 75	no	pur	yes	.....
Elbert County.....	29	Elizabeth.....	37	15	.....	9	18	.....	no	con	yes	.....
A. J. Smith.....	31	Florence.....	23	6	yes	18	3	.....	no	con	yes	1 00
McPherson.....	32	Longmont.....	53	40	yes	38	9	.....	yes	con	yes	2 00
Major Anderson.....	35	Arvada.....	20	12	yes	2	14	.....	yes	con	yes	.....
Akron.....	36	Akron.....	8	2	yes	1	12	.....	yes	both	yes	.....
E. M. Stanton.....	37	Salida.....	15	10	yes	10	150	.....	con	con	yes	.....
E. A. Burnside.....	38	Loveland.....	31	26	yes	25	55	5 00	no	both	yes	.....
Pike's Peak.....	39	Manitou.....	26	10	yes	10	50	5 00	no	both	yes	.50
M. M. Crocker.....	40	Denver.....	65	30	yes	700	1500	5 00	no	pur	yes	1 00
Victor.....	41	Victor.....	10	15	yes	12	.....	11 50	yes	both	no	.....
George Washington.....	42	Denver.....	45	20	yes	685	5000	.....	yes	both	no	.....
Joe Hooker.....	43	Monte Vista.....	22	.....	yes	98	50	5 00	no	con	yes	.....
Phil Sheridan.....	44	Buena Vista.....	21	17	yes	52	20	00	no	con	yes	.....
John C. Fremont.....	45	Littleton.....	20	11	yes	12	.....	.....	no	con	yes	1 00

Moved by Fannie D. W. Hardin that the President appoint a committee of two to arrange a memorial page for the Past Department officers who have passed away, same to be printed in the Department Journal. Seconded by Mrs. M. A. Beetham, and carried.

The report of the Department Counselor was read by Mary A. Jordan.

Report of Department Counselor.

Oakland, California, April 3, 1901.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary W. R. C.—

Dear Madam: In compliance with Rules and Regulations I herewith submit the following report, as Counselor for the past year:

One year ago, as I laid down the duties of Department President, I felt that owing to the harmony prevailing throughout the Department, and as the laws governing our Order are now so clearly defined and explicit, that our Department President would have little need of help from the Counselor to safely guide the Department into a smooth harbor at the close of her administration.

I have cheerfully and willingly rendered opinions and decisions whenever called upon to do so by the Department President, and have written kindly letters to those who have turned to me for advice, which was mostly given by referring them to the Rules of our Order.

During the year I have had the pleasure of making friendly visits to Meade and Reno Corps of Denver; the latter on the day of their inspection by Department Secretary, Anna D. Fishback. Also Colorado Springs Corps No. 4; Elbert County Corps No. 29; and Victor Corps No. 41. In each and every one I was received cordially and I recall pleasant recollections of my visits with them.

We have listened to the encomiums lavished on Elbert County Corps for their generous hospitality and palatable dinners, by previous officers while on official business, and my little visit, although unofficial and unheralded, was no exception. The dining tables were spread in the hall with the delicacies of the season, and the comrades and members of the Corps spent a pleasant hour in social chat while partaking of the good things, after which each Order held its session in its respective hall. In all the Corps visited I was impressed with the earnestness of the officers and members in performing their respective duties, and their willingness and unselfish manner in responding to calls for assistance.

The past month has been most pleasantly spent in beautiful California, where I expect to remain for another month, before returning to sunny Colorado. I regret greatly my inability to be present at the convention, to greet old friends and to make acquaintance with the new.

One of the pleasures of my trip was a visit to the National Soldiers' Home located a few miles from Los Angeles. The grounds covering an area of eight hundred acres and beautiful beyond description, with trees and flowers as only known in the tropical climate. The buildings are large and commodious, to accommodate twenty-five hundred comrades enrolled. Governor La Grange very kindly escorted us through the grounds and wards of the Hospital, and showed our party every courtesy during our short stay. These little incidents only tend to show and remind us of the great work we have to do in the future.

In surrendering my appointment, I desire to thank you, Mrs. President, for the honor conferred upon me. I trust that the friendship which has been increased during this year's work together may not be severed.

Hoping that our loved Order may prosper in the years to come as never before, and pledging myself to renewed energy in the work,

Submitted in F. C. & L.,

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Department Counselor.

Mrs. Sybil Watson, of Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, approached the platform and addressing the National President and Secretary, said:

Ladies, the honor has been given me of presenting you, in behalf of the members of Upton Corps, with these lovely flowers, as a small token of our appreciation of your work. (Presenting each with a handsome bouquet tied with the National color--yellow.)

Mrs. Carr.—Ladies, I do not need this present of beautiful flowers to know that you appreciate our honor. I realize that you have had the feeling that you wanted to keep me to the front for several years, and I wish to thank you. I see here the familiar faces of those whom I have worked with for several years, and I feel as though I am right here with my own, and I can say what I feel.

Mrs. Hardin.—Please accept my thanks for this kind token. As Mrs. Carr has said, we do not need this present of flowers to know that you appreciate our honor.

Mrs. Watson then turned to the Department President and Secretary, and presented each of them with a bouquet of carnations, tied with the Department color--red.

Mrs. Kingsford.—What can I say? My whole heart goes out in gratitude to the ladies of the convention, and especially those of Upton Corps, for their kind remembrance and good deeds.

Mrs. Fishback, in a few pleasant words, thanked the ladies for her flowers.

Miss Theresa Jenkins, of J. F. Reynolds Corps, No. 9, Cheyenne, presented to the National and Department Presidents, each a Torrey souvenir spoon, with appropriate remarks. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Kingsford responded briefly.

In the absence of the Department Inspector, Mrs. Sarah E. Waldo, her report was read by Mrs. Ella Wayne.

Report of Department Inspector.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK.

Department Secretary W. R. C.—

I have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the officers and members of the 17th Department Convention, a consolidated report of the Corps of this Department, of which the following is a summary:

No. of Corps August 31st, 1900	43
No. of members in good standing	1694
Average attendance of officers	7
Average attendance of members including officers.....	14
Amount of money in the General Fund	\$2,017.74
Amount of money in Relief Fund	988.93
Amount expended for relief during the year	1,576.83
Amount expended other than money	1,502.00

Every Corps is reported as working in harmony with the Post, except one, and they have no Post.

With the assistance of the President we planned to make the work of inspection as light financially to the Department as consistent with thorough work, and by patient efforts, and the courtesy of some of the railroad officials, succeeded in reaching every point visited by inspector at half rates, or one fare round trip. Every Corps was personally visited by myself, or assistants, except Mulligan No. 22 of Springfield, Colo., which was inspected by blank. And Geo. G. Meade No. 6 of Denver, having so beautifully exemplified the work at convention, was excused from inspection only by blank; and Burnside No. 38, of Loveland, was, through a misunderstanding, omitted, but Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson, Past Senior Vice-President, was detailed to inspect this Corps, for which she has my sincere thanks.

The following Corps were inspected by Department President Minnie E. Kingsford, who reports as follows:

SEDGWICK No. 3, DURANGO, COLORADO.—A very stormy night, and only five members out. Examined the books and found them in excellent condition. Sedgwick is one of our isolated Corps and needs all the encouragement we can possibly give. This was their first inspection in two years, and we feel that although the expense is great, these isolated Corps need and should have at least one visit from Department Headquarters each year, if we expect to retain them.

J. A. GARFIELD No. 8, LEADVILLE, COLORADO.—One of the very best Corps; performing the ritualistic work with an earn-

estness that shows they appreciate the beauty as well as the solemn obligations they have taken. They do a good relief work and have a full treasury. Served a banquet after inspection which was enjoyed by all; comrades were invited.

J. F. REYNOLDS No. 9, CHEYENNE, WYOMING.—A Corps full of energy and zeal; ritualistic and floor work performed with an earnestness that was commendable; upon examination the books were found to be in good condition, orders neatly filed and in every detail showing that the duties of the secretary and treasurer are well understood; financial condition of this Corps is excellent; relief work good; the president, accompanied by her secretary, escorted us to the Soldiers' Home, where we were entertained at dinner by General and Mrs. Stitzer. Mrs. Theresa Jenkins tendered a reception in the evening at her home on 16th street, and a most enjoyable time was spent.

U. S. GRANT No. 15, GREELEY, COLORADO.—A very good Corps with a fine set of officers, who are striving to keep up the standard of excellence attained; the floor work was beautifully performed and the ritual partially memorized. Books of treasurer show accounts accurately kept. Duties of Secretary well understood, and both officers are to be commended for good work. Good relief work done. A tempting supper was served at six o'clock by executive committee.

USTER No. 20, LARAMIE, WYOMING.—One of the finest Corps established. Floor work gracefully performed. Books of secretary and treasurer are kept by experienced hands and would bear inspection by a professional. Most cordial relations exist between Post and Corps. Reception in the evening by the Corps assisted by G. A. R. was a social success and greatly enjoyed by all, as were the dainty refreshments served by the ladies.

PFEIFFER No. 25, ALAMOSA, COLORADO.—One of our brightest Corps; full of life and energy and doing all they can to cheer the veterans at the Monte Vista Home. Work most harmoniously with the Grand Army. Their work is well performed. Excellent relief work done. Books of secretary and treasurer in fine condition. Reception in the evening and delicious refreshments served.

JIM BOWIE No. 30, CREEDE, COLORADO.—A small Corps, needing new life and a great deal of encouragement to keep them together. Their president had removed from Amethyst and all Corps mail had been forwarded to her, so that my visit was unlooked for. I soon found a Relief Corps member and with her assistance notified the members of a special meeting to be held that afternoon. Six members came out and we held a little conference meeting. They did not wish to surrender their charter and thought they could get two or three members in soon. They are brave and determined. Books of secretary and treasurer are in excellent condition.

A. J. SMITH No. 31, FLORENCE, COLORADO.—The opening ceremony and ritualistic work of this Corps is most earnestly performed, making it very impressive. A good Corps and one that

stands ever ready to sacrifice much for the cause. Books in good condition. Reception for the Inspector in the evening at the home of the members, after which a banquet was served.

E. M. STANTON No. 37, SALIDA, COLORADO.—This Corps needs encouragement to help them over rough places. They work harmoniously with the Post, but unite with the Sons of Veterans in most of their entertainments. Post seems to favor Circle. Books in fairly good condition, but made a few suggestions which I thought would help them. Do not have enough in attendance to have the flag work often, but performed as well as they could under the circumstances. Social entertainment in the evening by the Post and Corps at their hall. Music and speeches were in order. Refreshments were served.

M. M. CROCKER No. 40, DENVER, COLORADO.—The ritualistic work was performed in a most beautiful and impressive manner. Flag work well understood and carefully and gracefully performed. Relief work shows this Corps to be earnest in the discharge of the sacred duties for which they are bound together. Duties of the secretary and treasurer are well performed and accounts accurately kept. An excellent Corps. Delicious lunch served at the close of inspection.

GEORGE WASHINGTON No. 42, DENVER, COLORADO.—A good Corps with a fine set of officers, efficient and willing. Books of secretary and treasurer are in excellent condition. We predict a future of usefulness and prosperity for George Washington Corps No. 42. Refreshments were served.

JOE HOOKER No. 43, MONTE VISTA, COLORADO.—Joe Hooker Corps are laboring under some discouragements, but are quite determined they will not give up. Membership is not large and average attendance is not enough to fill all the chairs, so that floor work could not be perfectly performed. However, they are earnest and energetic, and doing much to add to the comfort of the veterans of Monte Vista Home. There is perfect harmony between Corps and Post. Secretary's books in fine condition, but treasurer is inexperienced and her books are not quite up to the standard. Lunch was served, after which we enjoyed a drive to the Soldiers' Home.

PHIL SHERIDAN CORPS No. 44, BUENA VISTA, COLO.—A new Corps, struggling bravely to do their work well. Membership small and never have enough in attendance to fill all the chairs. Only six members at inspection, but some of these had memorized their part in the ritualistic work. They were glad to receive instruction in floor work. Books of treasurer were kept by an inexperienced member and quite mixed up. Opened a new account and think now they will get along better. Comrades of Grand Army were invited in after inspection to enjoy a social hour and partake of the delicious refreshments served by the ladies.

The following Corps were inspected by the Senior Vice-President, Jennie Paddock, who reported as follows:

MYRON W. REED No. 7, RIFLE, COLORADO.—This is a new Corps, but found the books in good condition, although not much

money on hand. Whenever the Corps needs money they get up an entertainment. Some of the members ride ten, fifteen and twenty miles. They only have members enough attend to do business. They number twenty members. The ritual memorized and otherwise properly performed.

HOTCHKISS No. 11, NORTH FORK, COLORADO.—This Corps does good work. Books well kept. The chairs were not all filled. The Corps consists of a band of earnest workers, ever ready to give relief to the dependent ones. They get up dinner for the old soldier members of the Post. They own their hall and the Post use it for their meetings. Some of the members come many miles to attend these meetings. The ritualistic work is memorized and otherwise properly performed. Books of secretary and treasurer correct.

GRAND JUNCTION No. 17, GRAND JUNCTION, COLO.—This Corps consists of a band of earnest workers. The ritualistic work well performed and the books of the secretary and treasurer excellently kept. Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty prevail in this Corps.

WINFIELD SCOTT No. 19, ASPEN, COLORADO.—The attendance at inspection was quite good, all chairs being filled except the Color Bearers' chairs; they seemed discouraged, as a number of their members had left Aspen. Quite a number promised to join at their next meeting, and they all seemed more hopeful. They went through the work. Books well kept. Much will be expected of them next year. Gave a reception in the evening at their hall.

GUNNISON No. 12, GUNNISON, COLORADO.—The president of this Corps is very much discouraged, although they have some very energetic workers. The Corps ladies seem willing to do anything they can in the way of relief work. The Post does not have meetings; simply pay their dues.

The following Corps were inspected by Junior Vice, Sarah A. Tucker, who reported as follows:

COLORADO SPRINGS No. 4, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.—This is a splendid Corps. Large in numbers and faithful in their work. Floor work was splendidly performed, although they worked to a disadvantage in the absence of the secretary and her books. This was owing to sickness. Lunch was served and a very enjoyable time was had. The work of the ritual was memorized and otherwise properly performed. The books of the secretary and treasurer were in good condition.

ELBERT COUNTY CORPS No. 29, ELIZABETH, COLO.—This is a good Corps—what is known as a "floating Corps," meeting alternately at Elbert, Elizabeth and Kiowa. They meet and have a dinner and then the work of the Corps. They are to be commended for their earnestness and zeal, and desire to know the work of the ritual more perfectly. We found the secretary's books very nicely kept. The treasurer's books, while showing all the moneys received and disbursed, are not kept as we would like

to see them, and we spent considerable time explaining to the treasurer how they should be balanced. Also we spent some time in the meeting explaining the march for balloting. This was a real pleasure as the ladies were very anxious to have their work properly performed; the treasurer was especially anxious for instructions. The books are not audited quarterly, owing to the members living so far apart that this is impossible, some riding over twenty miles to attend meetings.

PIKE'S PEAK CORPS No. 39, MANITOU, COLORADO.—This Corps works to a great disadvantage owing to a small attendance; senior vice and guard having to act as color bearers; while the floor work was done much better than one could think it possible with so small a number present. A large number of Colorado Springs ladies were there, and a lunch was served, some of the comrades coming in when the signal was given. There is no Post there and the ladies are working hard to keep up their Corps, and do a good relief work.

The following Corps were inspected by Department Secretary, Anna D. Fishback:—

FARRAGUT CORPS No. 1, DENVER, COLORADO.—The Corps is large, enthusiastic and earnest; the president and officers are about perfect in their work, but working under the old ritual made a slight difference in some of the floor work. I found this Corps paying off for a fine piano, which is a credit to them. And the relief reports were indeed inspiring. I don't think the Department has anything to fear from such a splendid Corps

VETERAN No. 14, DENVER, COLORADO.—The work was well done. The floor work was especially worthy of commendation. It was beautiful to see the service of initiation as put through by this Corps. All the parts were well rendered, and the Conductor was about perfect. I found this Corps also working under the old ritual. Veteran is a real credit to the Department.

RENO No. 21, DENVER, COLORADO.—This is a very prospering, harmonious Corps, and doing its work in a conscientious manner. The books of both secretary and treasurer were exceptionally well kept. The treasurer's especially, who follows regular bookkeeping methods. The work was fairly well memorized. Some of the officers, however, were only substitutes, which accounts for that. I am sure that Reno may well be proud of their work and the Department of them.

W. T. SHERMAN No. 24, EVANS, COLO.—This Corps is well officered and the work very well done in view of the many disadvantages they work against. Indeed I do not think praise enough can be bestowed upon a Corps like this, where the membership is so small and where they do the ritual so well and keep up their courage in spite of everything. I think the entire membership was represented the day of inspection, and where the will is so earnest I am sure success must follow.

The following Corps were inspected by Department Treasurer Clara Rapp:

UPTON No. 2, PUEBLO, COLORADO.—This is a good Corps and in prosperous condition. Owing to sickness and death in member's family and the inspection being at an earlier date than usual, the attendance was smaller than ordinary. The president being quite ill, was absent, as well as several of the other officers. However, the work was well done, and the books of the secretary and treasurer nicely kept. After inspection, refreshments were served, and a very pleasant social hour followed.

WADSWORTH CORPS No. 16 ROCKY FORD, COLORADO.—This Corps is in good condition, but rather hampered in their work by not having a hall. The president very kindly gives them the use of her home, but the flag work cannot be exemplified under the circumstances. There was a good attendance and we had an interesting meeting. Books of the secretary and treasurer well kept. After meeting a nice supper was served and a pleasant evening was spent.

KILPATRICK CORPS No. 34, LA JUNTA, COLORADO.—Very discouraging, owing to non-attendance and delinquent members. As there were only six members present at inspection, the work could not be properly done. They had not met since May, consequently their books were not complete, and secretary's report very unsatisfactory, as she was absent.

CASPAR COLLINS No. 13, RAWLINS, WYOMING.—Was inspected by Adda Ulen, Past Department Chaplain. This Corps is in excellent working condition, although just at present laboring under some disadvantages in the performance of its floor work, but this will be relieved when a number of its most efficient workers are released from scarlet fever quarantine. The outlook for the Corps is very bright, as they are not only in good working order and very faithful to the interest of the Post to which they are auxiliary; but one, to me, very creditable feature of the work there, is the fact that they are making an effort to recruit their ranks from the Loyal Young Women, whose youth and joyous spirits can add so materially to the efficiency and pleasure of their meetings.

A. E. BURNSIDE No. 38, LOVELAND, COLORADO.—Was inspected by Sara B. C. Stephenson, Past Senior Vice, in anticipation of a visit from the inspector this Corps met in their hall November 16 with seventeen members present and a nice little lunch prepared to be partaken of after the work had been performed. A committee consisting of nearly the whole membership awaited at the depot as an escort to the inspector who came not, because she had been notified by the president that she could not get the members out for inspection. Why she did this no one seemed to know, but this they do know, that their president, one of the brightest members too, had failed in the performance of nearly all the duties of her office, seldom attending the meetings and leaving all her work to her secretary and treasurer. This Corps has a very small membership, a president indifferent to the

needs of the Corps, with some divisions among the members. There is cause for discouragement and lack of interest on account of this, with sickness. And we met but five members December 31st when we convened for inspection, but these, including the president elect, seemed quite confident of a better state of affairs for the coming year, and we, too, think the outlook is very encouraging.

MULLIGAN CORPS No. 23, SPRINGFIELD, COLORADO.—This Corps was inspected by blank, and the report only statistical. It is a small, isolated Corps. No doubt they are doing a good work.

GEO. G. MEADE No. 6, DENVER, COLORADO.—This Corps having exemplified the work so beautifully at Department Convention, was exempt from inspection, except by blank.

The following Corps was inspected by Department Inspector Sarah E. Waldo:

T. H. DODD No. 5, GOLDEN, COLORADO.—This Corps has worked under difficulties the last year. The president had buried her husband during her administration and at time of inspection was quarantined and had been for eight weeks on account of scarlet fever in her family. Secretary and treasurer understand their work; books in fine condition. Although the Corps is small in numbers, they are determined, and we hope the coming year will be fraught with less sorrow.

BYRON L. CARR No. 10, FONDIS, COLORADO.—This is the youngest Corps in the Department. They are a small, weak Corps and very much discouraged, as the storm had blown down their place of meeting. Had no suitable place to hold a secret regular session. They had the new set of books and do not understand them. Had got them somewhat mixed. Spent the time in explaining the work. They need much encouragement for they sacrifice much and there are some brave women in that bleak country. We hope to hear of an increase in the future.

R. A. CAMERON No. 18, FORT MORGAN, COLORADO.—This is not a very large Corps, but they make up in quality what they lack in quantity. A fine set of officers. The color bearers were all past presidents and of course their work was beautifully done. They do not have much relief work to do, but they excel in the ritualistic floor work. Inspection day was a stormy day, therefore not so many out as there otherwise would have been. They are a band of bright, energetic women. After meeting, refreshments were served and a social time had.

J. W. ANDERSON No. 38, CRIPPLE CREEK, COLORADO.—The largest Corps in the Department. The president being out of the city they had not received my notice, but they proved themselves equal to the emergency, notified their members and had a fine attendance. The president being absent necessitated a change in officers, so the ritual was not entirely memorized. Books of secretary and treasurer in fine condition. They do a large amount of relief work. They are a good strong Corps. After inspection refreshments were served and a pleasant time had.

Annual Report. C., for the year ending August 31, 1900.

NAME OF CORPS.	Z	than Money.	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that they have been audited by the Auditing Committee quarterly?	Are copies of Reg. Quarterly Relief Reports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Representative make a Report of the Proceedings of last Dept. Conventin?	Amount of Money turned over to Post from Sept. 1, 1899, to Sept. 1, 1900.	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and books correct?	Is the work of the Treasurer properly performed and books correct?
	5	16	17	18	19	20	1	2	3	4	
Farragut.....	0.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Upton.....	5.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	yes	yes	yes
Sedgwick.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	no	10.00	no	no	yes	yes
Colorado Springs.....	39.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
T. H. Dodd.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	no	no	yes	yes
Geo. G. Mead.....	30.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rifle.....	22.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
Jas. A. Garfield.....	10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	yes	yes	yes
J. F. Reynolds.....	25.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	25.00	no	no	yes	yes	
Byron L. Carr.....	8.00	no	no	yes	no	.....	no	no	no	no
North Fork.....	1.....	no	no	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
Gunnison.....	1.....	yes	no	yes	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Casper W. Collins.....	47.96	yes	yes	yes	yes	24.30	no	yes	yes	yes	
Veteran.....	17.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
U. S. Grant.....	10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	good	yes	yes
Wadsworth.....	1.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	19.50	partly	yes	yes	yes	
Grand Junction.....	14.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	no	yes	yes	yes	
R. A. Cameron.....	10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	6.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Winfield Scott.....	5.00	yes	yes	yes	no	8.60	no	no	yes	yes	
Custer.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	yes	yes	yes
Reno.....	20.90	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Mulligan.....	.....	no	yes	yes	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Anderson.....	20.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	partly	yes	yes	yes	
W. T. Sherman.....	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	10.00	no	yes	yes	yes
Pfeiffer.....	20.00	yes	yes	yes	no	5.00	partly	yes	yes	yes	
Geo. H. Thomas.....	2.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	no	yes	yes	yes
Nathaniel Lyons.....	2.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
Ellsworth.....	2.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	yes	yes	yes
Elbert County.....	20.00	no	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	fair	yes	no
Jim Bowie.....	25.00	no	yes	yes	no	.....	no	no	yes	fine
A. J. Smith.....	5.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	no	well	yes	yes
McPherson.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	25.00	yes	yes	fine	fine
Kilpatrick.....	5.00	no	yes	yes	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
Major Anderson.....	2.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	2.00	no	no	yes	.....
E. M. Stanton.....	2.....	yes	yes	yes	no	7.50	yes	good	no	good	
E. A. Burnside.....	10.00	no	no	yes	yes	.....	no	no	no	no
Pike's Peak.....	1.....	yes	no	.....	yes	.....	no	good	yes	yes
M. M. Crocker.....	5.12	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	partly	line	yes	yes
Victor.....	40.00	no	no	yes	yes	.....	no	no	line	no
George Washington.....	41.55	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
Joe Hooker.....	25.00	yes	yes	yes	no	.....	partly	good	fine	good
Phil Sheridan.....	4.....	yes	no	yes	no	partly	no	no	no	
John C. Fremont.....	6.85	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	good	yes	yes	
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SARAH E. WALDO, Dept. Inspector.

Annual Report of the Inspector of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C., for the year ending August 31, 1900.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Number of regular meetings in the year.			Number of Members in good standing.	Average attendance of Officers, including Officers.	Is the number of Rituals complete?	Have all Reports and Dues been forwarded to Department Headquarters?	Does the Treasurer notify all Members in arrears as required by obligation?	Are all Members when two quarters have passed reported as suspended in Quarterly Reports?	Does Corps Treas. or Asst. visit Delinquent Members and ex-communicated Members involved in Revised Ritual, p. 43?	Amount charged for initiation, not including price of booklets.	Amount charged for Yearly Dues.	Amount of Money in General Fund.	Amount of Money in Relief Fund. If none, report none.	Amount expended for Relief from Sept. 1, 1899, to Sept. 1, 1900.	Estimated Value of Relief other than Money.	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that they have been audited by the Auditing Committee?	Are copies of Reg. Quarterly Reports sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Representative make a Report on proceedings of last Dept. Conference?	Amount of Money turned over to Post from Sept. 1, 1899, to Sept. 1, 1900.	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary correctly performed and books correct?	Is the work of the Treasurer properly performed and books correct?	
			1	2	3																							4
Farragut.....	1	Denver.....	47	58	8	22	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$ 9.34	\$ 10.87	\$ 63.00	\$110.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Upton.....	2	Pueblo.....	46	42	10	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	53.11	10.45	10.00	15.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	
Sedgewick.....	3	Durango.....	18	27	7	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	30.40	19.45	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Colorado Springs.....	4	Colo. Springs.....	24	108	10	40	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.20	85.59	11.09	275.08	959.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes		
T. H. Dodd.....	5	Golden.....	19	28	8	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	16.60	15.30	15.00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	yes	yes	yes	
Geo. G. Mead.....	6	Denver.....	51	17	11	21	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.10	2.00	72.45	14.90	195.93	339.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes		
Rifle.....	7	Rifle.....	21	29	8	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	2.55	15	70	22.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes		
Jas. A. Garfield.....	8	Leadville.....	41	61	6	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	2.00	168.28	23.13	80.00	40.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes		
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	Cheyenne.....	24	38	8	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	20.00	20.00	31.25	25.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	25.00	no	yes	yes		
Ryton L. Carr.....	10	Fondus, Colo.....	12	50	6	8	yes	no	yes	no	yes	no	1.00	1.00	10.00	6.00	8.00	.....	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	
North Fork.....	11	Hotchkiss.....	18	22	6	10	no	yes	no	yes	no	yes	1.00	1.00	28.35	3.00	22.00	.....	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	
Gunnison.....	12	Gunnison.....	22	26	5	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	30.90	6.03	16.90	.....	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Casper W. Collins.....	13	Rawlins, Wyo.....	24	34	10	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.10	2.00	48.87	3.71	27.10	37.95	yes	yes	yes	yes	24.30	no	yes	yes		
Veteran.....	14	Denver.....	44	64	12	24	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	2.00	121.20	21.03	140.05	247.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	good	yes	yes		
U. S. Grant.....	15	Greeley.....	21	48	9	18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.50	2.00	75.36	30.74	25.00	10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes		
Wadsworth.....	16	Rocky Ford.....	26	24	7	13	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	7.46	17.26	3.25	1.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	19.50	partly	yes	yes		
Grand Junction.....	17	Grand June.....	52	33	5	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	88.47	4.50	.....	74.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	no	yes	yes	
R. A. Cameron.....	18	Fort Morgan.....	24	33	7	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	19.57	20.00	1.00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	6.00	yes	yes	yes	
Winfield Scott.....	19	Aspen.....	52	26	7	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	1.59	3.36	35.00	5.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	8.40	no	no	yes		
Custer.....	20	Laramie, Wyo.....	20	42	9	12	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.60	1.00	132.44	120.20	13.05	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	
Keno.....	21	Denver.....	40	51	8	14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	2.00	28.47	25.33	100.55	220.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	yes	yes	yes		
Muligan.....	22	Springfield.....	27	12	8	9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	6.62	4.00	.....	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
J. W. Anderson.....	23	Cripple Creek.....	43	114	6	23	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	61.98	22.97	56.75	40.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	10.00	partly	yes	yes		
W. T. Sherman.....	24	Evans.....	14	17	6	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	1.00	1.00	21.49	14.50	25.04	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	10.00	no	yes	yes	
Pleiffer.....	25	Alamosa.....	22	29	8	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.40	77.70	5.45	29.85	10.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes		
Geo. H. Thomas.....	26	Fort Collins.....	22	69	11	23	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	43.69	361.84	63.65	30.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes		
Nathaniel Lyons.....	27	Boulder.....	21	100	10	31	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	81.42	6.17	40.87	68.50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes		
Elkworth.....	28	Central City.....	18	24	8	9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	2.00	89.11	1.15	36.85	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	
Elbert County.....	29	Elizabet.....	17	38	5	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	16.70	7.25	15.00	20.00	no	yes	yes	yes	partly	fair	yes	no		
Jim Bowie.....	30	Amethyst.....	11	10	5	8	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.25	1.00	21.16	13.49	20.05	25.00	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	fine		
A. J. Smith.....	31	Florence.....	40	52	11	15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	15.55	5.00	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	well	yes	yes
McDonner.....	32	Longmont.....	21	54	12	26	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.40	59.72	39.30	19.26	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	25.00	yes	fine	yes	
Kilpatrick.....	33	La Junta.....	41	10	5	5	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	1.00	1.20	34.00	1.00	1.50	5.00	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	fine		
Major Anderson.....	35	Arvada.....	24	21	5	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	3.33	4.75	4.00	25.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	.....	
E. M. Stanton.....	36	Salida.....	24	20	8	11	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	1.50	13.40	24.65	150.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	7.50	yes	good	no		
T. A. Burnside.....	38	Loveland.....	9	18	8	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	2.17	67	26.00	10.00	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no		
Manitou.....	39	Manitou.....	24	28	4	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	38.24	19.60	14.30	41.00	yes	no	yes	yes	.....	no	good	yes	
John M. Crocker.....	40	Denver.....	49	52	11	15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	2.00	58.02	56.35	86.00	115.12	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	fine	yes	yes		
Victor.....	41	Victor.....	26	32	4	9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	38.95	6.80	.....	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	.....	no	fine	yes
George Washington.....	42	Denver.....	40	37	9	14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	12.32	5.37	19.00	41.55	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	good	fine	good		
Joe Hooker.....	43	Monte Vista.....	10	24	7	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	12.09	6.86	8.85	6.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	good	fine	good		
Phil Sheridan.....	44	Buena Vista.....	50	19	5	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.00	1.00	20.78	8.57	2.00	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	
John C. Fremont.....	45	Littlton.....	20	26	9	11	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1.50	1.00	10.58	11.70	6.85	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	good	yes	yes		
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GEORGE H. THOMAS No. 26, FORT COLLINS, COLO.—This is a good Corps and was really glad to have an Inspector visit them. They have outgrown their hall, at least their hall is too short to do the floor work perfectly with so many members. Their relief work shows that they are ever ready to help the old soldier and his dependent ones. G. H. Thomas is a Corps to be proud of. Having given notice, initiated a new member; they asked a number of questions and seemed anxious to perfect themselves in the flag work. After inspection, refreshments were served, and a very enjoyable hour spent.

NATHANIEL LYON No. 27, BOULDER, COLORADO.—This is one of the largest Corps in the Department. A very efficient set of officers. Books of secretary and treasurer in fine condition. A large attendance at inspection. They did the work so perfectly that the Inspector felt very much as though she was the one being inspected. They do a large amount of relief work. After meeting, served delicious refreshments, and had a very enjoyable time.

ELLSWORTH No. 28, CENTRAL CITY, COLORADO.—This is a fine Corps. Although this was one of the first Corps inspected I found them ready. A good attendance. Floor work well done. Flag work fine. Books of secretary and treasurer perfect. This Corps is a band of bright, intelligent women, many of them young ladies. As there is little relief work to do it seems their zeal is pure patriotism. Refreshments served and a pleasant evening.

MCPHERSON No. 32, LONGMONT, COLORADO.—This is an excellent Corps, with a fine set of officers. The President, a young woman of ability; Secretary and Treasurer understanding and performing their work thoroughly. They asked some questions, showing their aim was perfection. They do a good relief work, and have grand times socially. After inspection, served refreshments. Invited comrades and had a pleasant time.

MAJOR ANDERSON No. 35, ARVADA, COLORADO.—This is a small Corps, not enough attending to do the work properly, or put the flag work on the floor. Not enough to fill the chairs inspection day, but there are some earnest workers who are willing to make sacrifice for the good of the Order. They do very little relief work, but are a help to the Post, especially on Memorial Day, providing a good dinner after their long ride. The newly elected president is a woman who has the good of her Corps at her heart, and we may expect their success.

VICTOR No. 44, VICTOR, COLORADO.—I report the prospects of this Corps as brighter in the future, on account of sickness. Have had a change in three of the officers in the last year. The president had only filled the chair four meetings, so they did their work under difficulties, but are anxious to learn. Inspection being on a regular meeting day, initiated two new members. With patience and perseverance this Corps will soon be in good working order. Having invited J. W. Anderson Corps of Cripple Creek and the Post, served refreshments. Had a fine program, speaking,

music, recitations and dancing, and a very pleasant evening. Victor Corps knows how to entertain.

JOHN C. FREMONT No. 45, LITTLETON, COLORADO.—This is a good little Corps. Floor work fairly well done. The relief report shows they are ever ready in time of need. They have had much sickness, and death has taken one of their most efficient workers, who was a color bearer. Books of secretary and treasurer correct. Quite a delegation of Denver Corps ladies accompanied me. All received a warm welcome. Reception and refreshments served after work of inspection, and we all wanted to go again.

For the benefit of coming inspectors I would urge that Corps presidents be more careful in filling out blanks early, and filling the same ready for the coming of the inspector.

I would also recommend that we ask for longer blanks for consolidated reports, as form P has room for about 35 Corps. and our Department having 40 Corps it necessitates piecing out this blank.

To all the Corps who so courteously received and generously entertained, I would express my thanks, they will ever be held in loving remembrance. And to all my assistants and superior officers, I thank you for your willing and efficient services. And to you, Mrs. President, I will say, one year ago when you appointed me Inspector, I appreciated the honor, but did not realize the responsibility. In looking over the work of the year I see many mistakes, but I have performed the duties of the office to the best of my ability; and words cannot express my gratitude to you for your help and encouragement, and gentle forbearance. The pleasant associations of the year will never be forgotten. And I close my labors of love with the best wishes for the prosperity of our noble Order.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

SARAH E. WALDO,

Department Inspector.

Mrs. Olive Killin, Department Patriotic Instructor, read her report as follows:

Report of Patriotic Instructor.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary:—

Dear Madam: I have delayed my report as long as possible and yet you will notice the incompleteness of the same, owing to the fact that so many Corps failed to make any report. I take pleasure in submitting the following:

Consolidated report of Department Patriotic Instructor, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic:

March 30th, 1901.

To JENNIE L. DAY, National Patriotic Instructor—

Madam: I have the honor to make the following report on patriotic work for this Department:

1. Number of Corps in Department.....	43
2. Number of Corps reporting.....	18
3. Number of schools in Department that hoist the flag during school hours, reported.....	76
4. Number of schools in Department teaching patriotism, reported	108
5. Number of schoolrooms in Department having a flag, reported	256
6. Number of schoolrooms in Department giving flag salute, reported	237
7. Number of children in schools in Department giving salute to the flag, reported.....	21507
8. Number of school rooms in Department displaying Declaration of Independence chart, reported.....	23
9. Number of towns or cities in Department observing National holidays, reported	20
10. Number of towns or cities in Department observing Citizens' Sunday, reported	6
11. Number of towns or cities in Department holding "Patriotic Contest," reported	2

This report is very unsatisfactory, owing to the fact that so many Corps have failed to make any report.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

OLIVE D. KILLIN,
Department Patriotic Instructor.

FARRAGUT No. 1—Reports for District No. 2, Denver, Colo., 15 school houses that hoist the flag and in which patriotism is taught. Forty school rooms have flags and 3,000 children give the salute to the flag.

UPTON No. 2—Reports for Districts No. 1 and 20, Pueblo, Colo. 16 school houses that hoist the flag and in which patriotism is taught; 95 school rooms have flags, and 14042 children give the salute to the flag; 10 rooms display a chart of the Declaration of Independence. Patriotic work has been especially well done in Pueblo.

MYRON W. REED No. 7, RIFLE COLO.—Reports one school that hoists a flag and teaches patriotism.

JAMES A. GARFIED No. 8—Reports for District No. 1 at Leadville, Colo. Number of schools hoisting flags, etc., is made very indefinite by the word "all." It also makes it impossible to get the correct figures for my tabulated report.

GUNNISON No. 12—Reports for 1st District at Gunnison, Colo. Three schools hoist the flag and teach patriotism; 6 school rooms have flags and 200 children give the salute to the flag. A handsome 12-foot flag was presented to the high school by the Corps.

CASPAR W. COLLINS No. 13—Reports for 3d District at Rawlins, Wyoming. Two schools hoist the flag and teach patri-

otism; 1 school room has a flag and 40 children give the salute to the flag; 1 chart of the Declaration of Independence is displayed.

U. S. GRANT No. 15, GREELEY, COLO.—Reports 16 schools that hoist the flag and teach patriotism, and 16 rooms that have flags.

GRAND JUNCTION No. 17, GRAND JUNCTION, COLO.—Reports 16 schools that teach patriotism; 16 rooms that have flags and 400 children that give the salute to the flag.

WINFIELD SCOTT No. 19, ASPEN, COLO.—Reports 3 schools that hoist the flag; 4 schools that teach patriotism; 8 school rooms that have flags, and 1145 children that give the salute to the flag; 4 Independence charts displayed. Have made some progress since last year.

CUSTER No. 20, LARAMIE, WYOMING.—Reports 2 schools that hoist the flag; 18 that teach patriotism; 18 school rooms that have flags and 830 children give the salute to the flag; 2 Independence charts displayed.

J. W. ANDERSON No. 23, CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO.—Reports with the words "all" and "some of them" hence no definite report can be reached.

W. T. SHERMAN No. 24, EVANS, COLO.—Reports 3 schools that hoist the flag and teach patriotism; 7 rooms have flags and 40 children give the salute to the flag; 1 Independence chart displayed. Suggests that teachers invite comrades to give short reminiscences of the war.

NATHANIEL LYONS No. 27, BOULDER, COLO.—Reports 5 schools that hoist the flag and teach patriotism; 26 rooms have flags and 1200 children give the salute to the flag; schools very patriotic.

ELBERT COUNTY No. 29, ELIZABETH, KIOWA AND ELBERT, COLO.—Reports 3 schools that hoist the flag and teach patriotism; 100 children give the salute to the flag; two handsome flags presented by the Corps to the school at Kiowa and Elbert.

McPHERSON No. 32, LONGMONT, COLO.—Reports 3 schools that hoist the flag; 1 teaches patriotism; 13 rooms have flags, and 200 children give the salute to the flag; suggests that the course of study be shortened to admit of patriotic teaching.

MAJOR ANDERSON No. 35, ARVADA, COLO.—Reports 2 schools that hoist the flag; 3 teach patriotism; 4 school rooms have flags; 40 children give the salute to the flag, and 3 Independence charts displayed; Corps is making an effort to supply flags, charts, etc., for the schools.

M. M. CROCKER No. 40, DENVER, COLO.—Reports with the word "all," which makes the report very indefinite; suggests that the resolution on patriotic work adopted at the 16th annual convention be enforced. (Page 78).

JOHN C. FREMONT No. 45, LITTLETON, COLO.—Reports 2 schools hoist the flag and teach patriotism; 6 school rooms have

flags; 270 children give the salute to the flag; and 1 Independence chart is displayed.

I visited some of the schools in Denver on Lincoln's birthday, and found the principal parts of the program had been in line with the suggestions in the little book on "Patriotism" prepared by Mrs. Helen L. Grenfell, Superintendent of Public Instruction for Colorado. Too much praise cannot be given this little book. It is the neatest and nicest work on patriotism that I have ever seen. It should be in every school room in our Department.

For the Assistant Patriotic Instructors I have only words of praise; they have nobly worked in a noble cause.

To the President, I extend my thanks for the honor conferred and kind assistance given.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,
OLIVE D. KILLIN,
Patriotic Instructor.

Moved by Mrs. Johnson that the rules be suspended and that Mrs. Mary Jewett Telford's credentials be recognized, and all others having some one to vouch for them be granted the same privilege. Seconded by Mrs. Stephenson; motion carried.

Past Department President, Mrs. Ella L. C. Dwinell, was introduced to the convention.

Report of Department Relief Committee.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.—

Madam: I have the honor to submit the following report of relief done from March, 1900 up to April 6, 1901. I was appointed chairman of the Department Relief Committee at the close of the convention in March, 1900, and immediately entered upon my duties.

I have received during my term of office the following sums of money:

April 19, 1900.....	\$20.00
June 2.....	15.00
July 30	15.00
October 28	15.00
January 21, 1901	15.00
March 6	5.00
March 30	5.00

Total amount received\$90.00

Mrs. Ulen, of Laramie, member Relief Committee.. 4.05

Whole amount received\$94.05

DISBURSEMENTS.

1900.

March 29, Soldier's family, shoes, groceries, furniture.....	\$ 5.00
April 9, Soldier's family, groceries, coal.....	4.00
April 14, Soldier's orphans, railroad fare.....	2.00

April 23, Soldier's family, groceries, coal.....	3.00
May 5, Soldier's widow's funeral.....	2.00
May 16, Soldier's daughters.....	2.00
May 31, Meals for Soldier.....	.50
June 2, Soldier's widow's funeral.....	1.50
June 4, Soldier's widow for board.....	2.00
June 4, Soldier's child's funeral.....	1.00
June 9, Soldier's daughter's transportation.....	2.00
June 15, Soldier's family, groceries and coal.....	3.00
June 28, Soldier's daughter's board.....	2.00
July 6, Soldier's family, groceries and medicine.....	1.50
July 19, Board for sick soldier.....	1.00
August 1, Soldier's widow.....	2.00
August 3, Soldier's family rent.....	2.50
August 15, Soldier's family, groceries and coal.....	2.00
August 29, Soldier's family, medicine.....	1.50
September 3, Crippled soldier's meals.....	1.00
September 22, Soldier's family, shoes and groceries.....	2.00
October 10, Soldier's family, medicine and groceries.....	1.00
October 19, Soldier's family, clothing and groceries.....	2.00
October 28, Soldier's widow, shoes and stockings.....	3.00
October 31, Soldier, for meals.....	1.00
November 2, Soldier's daughter, coal.....	1.00
November 3, Soldier's family, coal and groceries.....	2.00
November 18, Soldier's family, shoes and groceries.....	2.00
December 6, Soldier's family, rent and groceries.....	2.00
December 31, Soldier's family, coal.....	2.00
1901.	
January 2, Soldier's family, coal and groceries.....	2.00
January 5, Undertaker for soldier.....	1.00
January 8, Soldier's family, rent and coal.....	2.00
January 10, Soldier's widow, wrapper.....	1.00
January 16, Railroad fare for soldier.....	2.00
January 22, Soldier's family, coal and rent.....	2.00
January 31, Meals for soldier.....	1.00
February 4, Soldier's widow's funeral.....	2.00
February 9, Son of a veteran, coal.....	1.00
February 20, Soldier's family, groceries.....	1.00
February 27, Medicine for soldier.....	1.00
March 7, Flowers, soldier's widow.....	1.00
March 20, Soldier's family, coal.....	1.00
March 29, Soldier's widow, railroad fare.....	1.50
April 2, Daughter of a veteran, groceries and coal.....	2.00
April 5, To Mrs. Ulen for transportation for soldier's widow..	4.05
April 6, Soldier's widow, medicine.....	1.25
Carfare and postage.....	4.75
Total amount expended.....	\$94.05

Donations other than money, \$50.00. I have made 67 calls on the sick and distressed and found many worthy cases, and always wishing it was in our power to do more for them than we did. To the best of my ability I have tried to do the work and use the money as judiciously as I could.

And now, Mrs. President, I wish to thank you for your kind letters of encouragement and for your promptness in sending vouchers for money whenever I made a call for same. I trust the memories of our work for the heroes of the Republic and their dependant ones will cheer us as we continue to discharge the sweet, sacred duties to which we stand pledged.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

JENNIE MCGILL,

Chairman Department Relief Committee.

The report of Mrs. Helen Holbrook, Delegate-at-Large to the National Convention, was read by Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell.

Report of Delegate-at-Large.

Los Angeles, California, April 3, 1901.

To the President and Members of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

In accordance with the custom of our Order, I hereby submit the following report of the Eighteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, held in Chicago, August 29, 30 and 31, 1900.

The official train left Denver, Saturday, August 27th, over the Union Pacific railroad, with Harper M. Orahood, Department Commander of Colorado and Wyoming, accompanied by the members of her staff and members of the Woman's Relief Corps and officers and ladies of the G. A. R.

I can report no incidents of the trip, as I preceded it several weeks.

The National Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps were at the Palmer House; as also the Departments of Colorado and Wyoming, and many other Departments' Headquarters. Chicago had made ample provision to entertain the many old veterans by throwing open their many school houses and establishing a camp in Lincoln Park with tents sufficient for all.

The grand parade, where thirty thousand veterans of the Civil War marched through the streets of Chicago on August 28, 1900, to the strains of martial music, was inspiring and brought to memory scenes of the years of '61 to '65. As they marched the veterans passed through an Avenue of Fame, in which the portraits of their great commanders—Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, Logan, and many others—looked down upon them to give them inspiration. They heard the shouts and plaudits of a million of their countrymen.

They were led through a Court of Honor erected for the occasion to greet and receive the greetings of National Commander Albert D. Shaw, who has lately passed to his great reward. They were also reviewed by Gen. Miles (as representative of President McKinley), Mayor Harrison and others. That you may better realize the magnitude of the parade, it took them four hours and twenty minutes to pass a given point, and had they been stretched out in one long line they would have covered fifteen miles in close formation.

Tuesday evening was given over to receptions at the Palmer House by the National Officers and many of the Departments, all of which were well attended.

The Eighteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps convened in Central Music Hall, August 29th. Mrs. Harriet J. Bodge, National President, in the chair. All National Officers were invited to come to the platform. All officers reported present with two exceptions. The devotional exercises were conducted by the National Chaplain. The President then

declared the convention open for business. After the appointment of the committees the President introduced the officers who had been co-workers with her the past year; also the Andersonville Prison Board, and the National Home Board; and spoke feelingly of their ranks being broken the past year. She then introduced Clara Barton, President of the Red Cross Association, and an honorary member of our Order. An able address was then read by the National President, with several recommendations for the good of the Order. She referred feelingly to the death of our beloved Past National President, Annie Wittenmyer, as one of those sweet stars of memory which never wanes or sets; and the death of Past President Sarah J. Martin and her Secretary, were not forgotten. The President reported no new Departments organized during the year. Eighty-two Corps have been instituted by Departments, and two detached Corps by National Headquarters.

National Treasurer, Mrs. Bagley, offered a special resolution of our appreciation for the work of our beloved sister, Clara Barton, in Cuba and in foreign countries, and after many years the recognition by Congress of the United States of America of the Red Cross Society, and extended congratulations on the successful recovery from oblivion of thirteen thousand graves of our Union soldiers; and whereby twenty thousand men, borne on the rolls of the missing were either put in communication with their friends, or their friends received definite information of their fate; and wherever there is a call the Woman's Relief Corps co-operate with the National Red Cross Society in their work to the extent of their ability. The resolution was adopted by a rising vote. Miss Barton was again presented to the convention. It was an inspiration to look in her face and hear her speak. She spoke of the grand work the Woman's Relief Corps were doing for the veterans who are fast gathering on the other shore, and of the comfort and aid we had been to her in her work. She said "you have never failed me." She closed with the wish that God would bless us one and all. Then the convention adjourned for lunch, provided at Masonic Temple by the ladies for the delegates.

The convention was called to order by the President at 2 o'clock p. m. The Chaplain being absent the convention was opened by singing "Blest be Thee that Binds." Most of the time of the afternoon was taken up receiving guests, receiving and sending greetings to absent members. One of the guests, Past National Commander Paul Van Dervoort (an honorary member of our Order), was introduced to the President by Mrs. Sherwood as the one who made possible our organization in Denver in 1882. The President pinned a rose on him. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming asked and received permission to give Comrade Van Dervoort one of their convention badges. This request was followed by so many that the comrade was almost covered with badges.

Memorial services were held in memory of Past National Presidents, Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer and Mrs. Sarah J. Martin, who had been called home in the past year. At the close the convention

arose and sang "Rock of Ages," after which it adjourned till Thursday morning at nine o'clock.

Thursday: Convention called to order at nine o'clock, with Mrs. Baer, National Senior Vice-President, in the chair. The important work of the morning was the election of a National President, in which the Department of Colorado and Wyoming are always interested, particularly so this year. Maine, California, Massachusetts and Kansas all presented worthy candidates. Lastly Colorado and Wyoming presented theirs. A campaign with such leaders as our Past Department Presidents, Laura S. Dodge and Fannie D. W. Harding (now National Secretary), and our candidate being so ably nominated by Past Department President, Mary Jewett Telford, merited the success won. Mrs. Telford, in nominating her, set forth her many capabilities for the position. She was one of the forty-three charter members of the W. R. C., which has had National Presidents from so many different states. Having worked silently on for seventeen years, the Department of Colorado and Wyoming deemed it but just that they should be honored by the election of their candidate, Mrs. Mary L. Carr, and that National Headquarters should be established on its eighteenth birthday in the state of its nativity. Our claims were allowed. Mrs. Carr's nomination was made unanimous and the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for Mrs. Mary L. Carr for National President, after which the convention adjourned until two o'clock.

Convention called to order at two o'clock with the President in the chair; opened by singing "America." The afternoon was taken up by the election of National Senior Vice-President, Mrs. Slatterly; Junior Vice-President, Mrs. Flagg, and National Treasurer, Sarah E. Phillips; interspersed with reports of various committees, after which the convention adjourned until Friday morning at nine o'clock.

Friday. The convention was called to order at nine o'clock with the National Senior Vice-President in the chair. The day was taken up with the election of the balance of officers, reports of various committees and reports on resolutions. I quote from the National Secretary's report:

Number of members of the Woman's Relief Corps in good standing	142,760
Amount expended for relief during the past year.....	\$149,529.00

The convention was very pleasant and harmonious from beginning to end. With a *Rassieur* engineering the "G. A. R'S," with a special Carr Auxiliary at the head of the National W. R. C., much is expected as a result of the year's work.

As your Delegate was obliged to leave before the installation of officers, she can make no report of same.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

ELLEN B. HOLBROOK.

Mrs. Mary Jewett Telford and Mrs. Helen Starbird were in-

troduced to the convention as Army Nurses and each made a few very interesting remarks.

The Department I. & I. Officer's report was read by the Secretary.

Report of the Department Instituting and Installing Officer.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.—

Dear Madam: In accordance with the requirements of our Order I submit my report as Department I. & I. Officer for the year just closed with consolidated report of the instituting and installing officer of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. for the year ending April, 1901:

Farragut No. 1, Denver, January 5. President, Rosetta Fairchild; Installing Officer, Mrs. Jennie McGill; public and joint with Post.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo, January 3. President, Sybil Watson; Installing Officer, Mina Sandford; public and joint with Post.

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango, January 17. President, Lizzie N. Hansen; Installing Officer, E. Helen Tiffany; private.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs, January 1. President, Emma Ormsby; Installing Officer, Lydia Ellison; public and joint with Post.

T. H. Dodd No. 15, Golden, January 24. President, Anna Luman; Installing Officer, Mary A. Eldridge; public and joint with Post.

George G. Meade No. 6, Denver, January 14. President, Anna H. Behney; Installing Officer, Stella Newman; public and joint with Post.

Myron W. Reed No. 7, Rifle. President, Ray Dynenberg; Installing Officer, Nettie Marker; private.

James G. Garfield No. 3, Leadville, January 3. President, Maggie Telfer; Installing Officer, A. V. Bohn; public and joint with Post.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne, January 4. President, Theresa Jenkins; Installing Officer, Bertha Meyers; public and joint with Post.

Byron L. Carr, No. 10, Fondis, February 16. President, Mary Hollens; Installing Officer, Sarah K. Lundy; private.

North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss, January 19. President, Alice Gallagher; Installing Officer, Mary A. Miller; public and joint with Post.

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison, January 2. President, Amanda Unruk; Installing Officer, Jessie S. Purrier; private.

Caspar W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., January 9. President, O. Louise Donnell; Installing Officer, Minnie E. Kingsford; public, but not with Post.

Veteran No. 14 Denver, January 3. President, Anna McIlvain; Installing Officer, Emma Johnson; public and joint with Post.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, January 15. President, Emily H. Jones; Installing Officer, Annie B. Sanborn; public and joint with Post.

Wadsworth No. 16, Rocky Ford, January 18. President, Ida L. Hickox; Installing Officer, A. C. Sloan; joint with Post.

Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction, Jan. 12. President, M. R. Hoover; Installing Officer, Hettie E. Rundle; joint with Post.

R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan, February 26. President, Kate M. Clatworthy; Installing Officer, Arabella C. Johnson; private.

Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen, January 8. President, Anna McKnight; Installing Officer, Mary E. Nevans; joint with Post.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., January 14. President, Sarah E. Gardinier; Installing Officer, Mary A. Kinnear; public and joint with Post.

Reno No. 21, Denver, January 5. President, Lucy M. Capron. Installing Officer, Emma Johnson; joint with Post.

Mulligan No. 22, Springfield, January 26. President, Mary E. Robertson; Installing Officer, Mary E. Cole; private.

J. W. Anderson No. 23, Cripple Creek, January 8. President, Alice A. Hatfield; Installing Officer, Annie Leimberger; private.

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans, January 3. President, Eliza Rickards; Installing Officer, L. A. Herriot; joint with Post.

Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa, January 10. President, Addie Miller; Installing Officer, Sadie C. Simons; public.

Geo. H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins, January 12. President, Eva V. Nye; Installing Officer, Olivia L. Mandeville; private.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, January 1. President, Fannie Dickey; Installing Officer, Irene B. Cowie; joint with Post.

Ellsworth No. 28, Central City, January 3. President, Carrie Ashbaugh; Installing Officer, Pauline Ashbaugh; public.

Elbert No. 29, Kiowa, February 9. President, Olive A. Killin; Installing Officer, Fannie D. W. Hardin; private.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amethyst, March 16. President, Lottie C. Darling; Installing Officer, Lottie C. Darling; private.

A. J. Smith No. 31, Florence, January 11. President, Helen Edwards; Installing Officer, Ella Wayne; joint with Post.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont, January 1. President, Susie Carr McGwire; Installing Officer, Mary L. Carr; joint with Post.

Maj. Anderson No. 35, Arvada, January 12. President, Mary Berkshire; Installing Officer, Clara W. Green; private.

E. M. Stanton No. 37, Salida, January 8. President, Anna Amberson; Installing Officer, Delia Buell; joint with Post.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou, January 2. President, Alice Barney; Installing Officer, Elra E. Pierce; private.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver, January 10. President, Charlotte Moore; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Campbell; joint with Post.

George Washington No. 42, Denver, January 7. President, Car-

rie Coggshall; Installing Officer, Debra Mosier; joint with Post, Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista, January 7. President, Rosanna L. Winter; Installing Officer, L. H. Cheney; joint with Post John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton, January 9. President, Margaret Mitchell; Installing Officer, L. H. Cheney; joint with Post, Victor No. 41, Victor. President, Martha Calderwood; private. A. E. Burnside No. 38, Loveland, January 7. President, Nancy Krouskop; Installing Officer, Ella Davison; joint with Post. Phil Sheridan No. 44, Buena Vista, January 1. President, Anna Pittman; Installing Officer, Mary Warner. Private.

In conclusion Mrs. President, I wish to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me by appointing me to this position. I have fulfilled my duty to the best of my ability. I also extend my thanks to the Department Secretary for the many courtesies extended to me. And send my thanks to Reno Corps No. 21 for the courtesy extended in asking me to install their officers, and also Veteran Corps No. 14 for the many honors they have conferred on me; their kindness will never be forgotten.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

EMMA JOHNSON,

Department I. & I. Officer.

Report of Chief Aide.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.—

Madam: In accordance with Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you the following report of the work done by the Department Aides of 1900-1901.

Farragut No. 1, Denver, Colo.—Reports sixty members in good standing. Initiated fourteen; reinstated one; dropped one; one honorably discharged; Corps in a prosperous condition, and working in harmony with the Post.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo, Colo.—Reports twenty-five new members; three by transfer; one reinstated; Corps working for the good of the Order.

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango, Colo.—Reports twenty-seven members in good standing; taken in two new members, and reinstated six; although a small Corps are in a flourishing condition and doing good work.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colo.—Reports one hundred and eleven members in good standing; fourteen new members; thirteen delinquent members have paid up; several applications pending. Post and Corps work in harmony.

T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden, Colo.—Reports twenty-eight members in good standing; five suspended; Post and Corps work well together; not much relief work done, but are ever ready.

George G. Meade No. 6, Denver, Colo.—Reports eighty-four members in good standing; have gained ten members by transfer, six by initiation, one reinstated, one suspended member restored;

lost four by transfer; Corps is doing much relief work; relations between Corps and Post could not be more congenial; have visited three Corps.

Myron W. Reed No. 7, Rifle, Colo.—Reports twenty members in good standing; five new members; no delinquents; lost two by transfer, one by death; doing good relief work; have assisted the Post at two funerals, and assist them in every way they can; Post and Corps work in perfect harmony.

James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville, Colo.—Reports a small membership; some delinquents; have reinstated some; a great many of the members have moved away, which has been the source of much discouragement; but are earnestly working for the good of the Order.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo.—Reports thirty-seven members in good standing; five new members; Corps in a flourishing condition; assisted Post in observance of Memorial Day and in one G. A. R. funeral; have joint meetings with the Post; gave a reception to the Department President and Secretary; who inspected the Corps, inviting the G. A. R. and their families; Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison, Colo.—Reports twenty members in good standing; one initiated and one reinstated during the year; in good condition financially; doing excellent relief work; owing to small membership have never used flag work; Post exists only in name, but the veterans and Corps are harmonious.

Caspar W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.—Reports thirty-nine members in good standing; six new members; one by transfer, and three applications in; doing excellent relief work, and Corps in a prosperous condition.

Veteran No. 14, Denver, Colo.—Reports Corps in flourishing condition; eight new members, and four by transfer; visited six Corps; Post and Corps working in harmony.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, Colo.—Reports forty-seven members in good standing, and in a flourishing condition financially and socially; doing good relief work; and working in perfect harmony with Post.

Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction, Colo.—Reports sixty members in good standing; eighteen new members; lost five by honorable discharge and one by transfer; presented flags to two schools; in good condition financially; give the Post pleasant surprises once in a while which they enjoy; Corps and Post work in perfect harmony, with the interest of the Order at heart.

R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan, Colo.—Reports thirty-three members in good standing; one new member and one by transfer; owing to a siege of scarlet fever which has been prevalent for months, many of the members under quarantine, but little work has been done, but perfect harmony between Post and Corps; all are interested in the work.

Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen, Colo.—Reports thirty-eight members in good standing; have gained thirteen by initiation; two by transfer; six by reinstatement; three delinquents have paid up; have fourteen delinquents still; lost two by honorable discharge;

three dropped; doing much relief work; new applications coming in every meeting; Post and Corps harmonious.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.—Reports forty-four members in good standing; six new members; two reinstated; relations between Corps and Post could not be better, always working in harmony.

Mulligan No. 22, Springfield, Colo.—Reports twelve members in good standing; one reinstated; although a small Corps, have always been able to meet every demand for relief; Post and Corps working in harmony, and are at this time making preparations for celebrating Washington's Birthday.

J. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, Colo.—Reports Corps in a flourishing condition, socially and financially; one hundred and twenty members; peace and harmony among the members and with the Post; doing good relief work; with a gain of thirty members.

Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa, Colo.—Reports twenty-eight members in good standing; ten new members; doing fine relief work; have \$106.10 in treasury and all members show interest in the work.

George W. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins.—Reports sixty-five members in good standing; seventeen new members; lost two by death, one being the oldest member in the Corps, 84 years old; Post and Corps work in perfect harmony; have had several pleasant surprises for them, and they have always returned the compliment; we gave them fifty dollars for a Christmas present.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, Colo.—Reports one hundred and eighteen members in good standing; thirty new members; lost two by death, three by honorable discharge, one dropped;

Ellsworth No. 28, Central City, Colo.—Reports fifty members in good standing; eleven new members; one reinstated; doing splendid relief work, and have \$73.50 in the treasury.

Elbert County No. 29, Elizabeth, Colo.—Reports Corps working for the good of the Order, meeting once a month in rotation at Elbert, Elizabeth and Kiowa; Post meeting at same time and place, always serving refreshments to the Post and Corps at these meetings; have presented the schools at Kiowa and Elbert with flags, and always ready to respond to calls for relief.

Jim Bowie No. 30, Amethyst, Colo.—Reports small membership and but little relief work done; have been much discouraged from lack of interest, but have an efficient set of officers now and expect to build up Corps; have six applications pending.

A. J. Smith No. 31, Florence, Colo.—Reports twenty-one members in good standing; five new members; one reinstated; have but little call for relief, but are loyal and enthusiastic workers, and are planning this year to aid some public institution; Post and Corps are in love with each other, consequently are harmonious.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont, Colo.—The home of our National President; reports sixty-three members in good standing; sixteen new members; one reinstated; have lost two by death and one transferred; the Corps is in a flourishing condition, doing

a large amount of relief work at home, and sent thirty-five dollars to the Galveston sufferers.

Major Anderson No. 35, Arvada, Colo.—Reports twenty-five members in good standing, five new members; though small in numbers are doing good relief work, having assisted one comrade to the amount of fifty dollars; Post and Corps harmonious.

E. M. Stanton No. 37, Salida, Colo.—Reports twenty members in good standing; Corps not in a very flourishing condition at present, but the prospect looks brighter for the future.

A. E. Burnside No. 38, Loveland, Colo.—Reports twenty-four members in good standing; eight delinquents reinstated; Corps in good condition financially; doing good relief work; sent \$16.50 to the Galveston sufferers; Post and Corps harmonious.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver, Colo.—Reports forty-seven members in good standing; taken in five new members; lost seventeen; are doing excellent relief work; and prospects are very favorable for the coming year.

George Washington No. 42, Denver, Colo.—Reports Corps in flourishing condition, with a membership of fifty; twelve new members; reinstated six; lost one by death; all working in harmony; meet with Post once a month; most harmonious relations exist between Post and Corps.

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista, Colo.—Reports Corps in prosperous condition, and doing good relief work; are giving entire support to a soldier's widowed mother, a lovely and deserving woman; supply the preaching at the Soldiers' Home, and as often as possible the music; have made and given fifty cushions for chairs, and furnish a large amount of jellies, etc.; every member is interested in the work and loyal to the old soldier.

No report has been received from Aides of Corps Nos. 7, 10, 11, 15, 16, 24, 345, 39, 41, 44 and 45.

Mrs. President, I find that some of the Aides do not fully understand their duties or just what is required of them. I would recommend that blanks be furnished to the Department Aides, upon which to make their reports; also one for the Senior Aide. The first would systematize the report of the Senior Aide for convention, thereby facilitating the work of the Department Secretary in compiling the journal.

I wish to thank the Aides of the Department for so promptly responding to my letters, for their uniform courtesy, and hearty co-operation during our year's work; may our acquaintance thus formed grow into lasting friendship; and now, Mrs. President, I wish to thank you for the honor conferred upon me in appointing me on your staff of workers. I deeply appreciate your expression of confidence, and if my work meets with your approval I shall feel doubly repaid for my work.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

MARY E. ULLMER,
Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

The Credential Committee reported 122 delegates present.

Moved by Mrs. Watson that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9:30. Seconded by Mrs. Jordan. Motion carried.

SECOND DAY.

Thursday morning, April 11th, 1901.

Convention called to order at 10 a. m. by the President, Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, and was led in prayer by the Chaplain, Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson; singing of opening ode. Conductors took the pass word and reported all present with the proper pass word.

Roll call of convention, and the Secretary reported 121 voting delegates present.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved. The President announced the election of officers at 11 o'clock.

Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson, chairman of the Committee on President's Address read the report of the committee.

Mrs. President, and members of the Seventeenth Annual Convention W. R. C.—

We, your committee, have read with care and great pleasure the report of the President, and congratulate the Department on the success of her administration.

Recommendation No. 1—Approved.

Recommendation No. 2—Approved.

Recommendation No. 3—Approved.

Recommendation No. 4—Approved.

Recommendation No. 5—Approved.

Recommendation No. 6—Approved.

Recommendation No. 7—Approved.

Recommendation No. 8—Approved.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

SARA B. C. STEPHENSON,

ELLA L. C. DWINNELL,

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Watson that the report be accepted and the recommendations acted upon separately; seconded by Mrs. Kirkpatrick; motion carried.

The Junior Vice-President took the chair and Mrs. Stephenson proceeded to read the report.

Recommendation No. 1—That the per capita tax to the Department remain 15 cents. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Johnson that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Ditson, and carried.

Recommendation No. 2—That the representation to the De-

partment Convention remain the same. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Killin that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Russ; carried.

Recommendation No. 3—That Decision No. 22 be changed to read "6 per cent. of per capita tax be transferred to Department Relief Fund." Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Jarrett; Carried.

Recommendation No. 4—That the roster of Department Officers shall be issued in printed form soon after the Department Convention, annually. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Lehow that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Watson, and carried.

Recommendation No. 5—That the design of the Department banner be adopted as the design for the badge of delegates from this Department to the National Convention, and that a die be cast for the same. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Sanford that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Jordan; motion carried.

Recommendation No. 6—That a suitable book be furnished Department Headquarters for copying important letters for reference. Approved by committee.

Moved by Mrs. Ullmer that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Killin, and motion carried.

Recommendation No. 7—That the Department Aides' badges be furnished by the Department, to revert with the office. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Kauffman that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Gertieson and carried.

Recommendation No. 8—That a suitable flag be furnished Department Headquarters for draping on National Holidays. Approved by the committee.

Moved by Mrs. King that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Fairchild. Amended by Mrs. Hardin that the flag be storm serge; motion as amended carried.

Moved by Mrs. French that the report be adopted as a whole; seconded by Mrs. McGwire, and carried.

Guard announced a committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R. in waiting, and Mrs. Moore, of Pueblo, was brought in by the conductor and presented to the convention and presented the greetings of their convention, and the President responded in

a few words and presented the lady with a badge of the convention.

Comrade Adams, of the Denver National Standard, was then introduced to the convention and expressed his thanks to the Department President for her words and co-operation during the year, and asked the convention to vote \$5.00 for Department notice in the Standard. He also asked for the support of the ladies of the Corps in the work of the Standard.

The hour of election having arrived the President appointed the following tellers: Mrs. Eloise Lehow, Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, Mrs. Mary A. Jordan.

Nominations for Department President—

Mrs. Maria Baillie nominated Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, who thanked the lady, but declined.

Mrs. Susie Carr McGwire nominated Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson, of Fort Morgan; nomination seconded by Mrs. Ella L. C. Dwinell and others.

Mrs. Mary Hader nominated Mrs. Theresa Jenkins, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; seconded by Mrs. Dittman and others.

National Secretary Mrs. Hardin, seconded the nomination of Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Jenkins withdrew her name and moved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Arabella Johnson. Motion seconded by Mrs. Sadie Fisher, and carried.

The Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. Arabella Johnson for Department President for the coming year.

Nominations for Senior Vice-President—

Mrs. Olive A. Killin was nominated by Miss S. A. Tucker for Senior Vice-President; seconded by Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson and others.

There being no further nominations, Mrs. Buss moved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Killin. Seconded by Mrs. Sadie Fisher, and motion carried.

Nominations for Junior Vice-President—

Mrs. Stella A. Kyle nominated Mrs. Amella Gertieson for Junior Vice-President; seconded by Mrs. Byers and Mrs. Hardin. Mrs. Lucinda Smith nominated Mrs. M. H. Sloan; seconded by Mrs. Dwinell and others; nominations closed.

Tellers report: Total votes cast, 115; necessary for choice, 58; Mrs. Gertieson, 73; Mrs. Sloan, 42. Mrs. Gertieson was declared elected Junior Vice-President.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin that we adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Motion seconded by Mrs. Baillie, and carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called the convention to order at 2 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Baillie was appointed conductor and Mrs. McKee, assistant conductor.

The Guard announced that a committee from the Ladies' Aid to the Sons of Veterans was in waiting. The Conductors escorted in Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Lafferty and Miss Freeman. Mrs. Whitney, the chairman, made a few remarks of greeting, which were responded to by the President, and the ladies were escorted from the hall.

The Guard announced that a committee from the Grand Army of the Republic was in waiting, and the Conductors were directed to escort them to the platform, which was done.

The President introduced to the convention General U. S. Hollister, General N. J. O'Brien and Colonel J. D. Johnson.

GEN. U. S. HOLLISTER—Mrs. President, and Women of the Relief Corps, I believe this is the first time I have ever had the pleasure of coming before you in an official capacity and bringing you the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am particularly glad to come when there is harmony, and when you have the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps in your ranks.

You represent that spirit of loyalty that we fought for in the days gone by. We want to tell you that we know that you are strengthening us in all our walks of life; you are strengthening us in our fraternity. The ties of fraternity are growing stronger every day. You are strengthening our charity, which tells us to throw the mantle of forgiveness and forgetfulness over the weakness of others. Now then, ladies, you have done this much to strengthen us in the days gone by in all the great principles of our Order.

The ladies who established this noble order of yours in the beginning to contribute simply to the necessities of the Grand Army, have builded better than they knew.

May you have the ability to continue this good work as long as there is a gray head of the Grand Army, and as long as there is one he will bless you.

GEN. N. J. O'BRIEN—Like my friend Hollister, this is the first time I have had the pleasure of appearing before the Relief Corps in an official capacity. Ladies, I can assure you it gives me great pleasure to come here, especially as I was at the organization of the Relief Corps in Denver, which was brought about principally by the efforts of our National President of today. I shall continue to work for it until you, or some of your descendants put me in God's acre. This is the greatest organization in the world.

But we are not here to make long speeches. I am proud also to be here as a representative of Wyoming. We are loyal and always ready to assist a suffering comrade.

COL. J. D. JOHNSON—Ladies of the Relief Corps Convention, it is fitting that I should return to you especial thanks for the honor conferred upon my better half by electing her President of this noble organization. We are told in the good book "that the first shall be last and the last shall be first." Woman was the first to minister to our suffering; many a soldier remembers with gratitude the soothing hand of mother and of sister, that was on the battle field with them. She has always been found loyal to all her duties, and in the Grand Army of the Republic occupies the post of honor. We are growing fewer, and we expect, yes we know, that woman will be the last at our sepulchre. God bless you, and may you bring to the orphan and widow words of cheer, and not only that, you bring to them the substantial things of life.

The President responded briefly to the remarks of the comrades and presented each with a badge and they retired.

The Cripple Creek Drum Corps was then introduced and gave us several selections, which were enjoyed by all. Mrs. Fannie D. W. Hardin presented the boys with badges and thanked them for their music, and they retired.

Commander-in-Chief General Leo Rassieur, and his Adjutant Colonel Frank M. Sterritt, were announced and the President asked the National President and Secretary to escort them to the platform. They were introduced to the convention and each gave an interesting talk.

GEN. RASSIEUR—Mrs. President and Ladies: It gives me great pleasure to be with you today. This Department is one of the oldest of the Woman's Relief Corps and has been a banner one in the work which has been done and deserves a great deal of credit, as it has accomplished so much nationally for the Grand Army of the Republic.

On coming to you as I do, officially, I feel that I may discharge, in a small measure, the obligation that the Grand Army owes to you. I cannot lose sight of the fact that your organization has done more in the way of charity than any other organization in the world, of its kind. When we reflect upon the immense amount of money which you have distributed for the uplifting and benefit of the Grand Army of the Republic, we can hardly realize that so much good work has been done and I think that the country owes you a debt of gratitude, as well as the organization to which we belong. We cannot but realize the fact that our great country, with its prosperity, is but the result of the hardships endured by those who went out in 1861 to 1865. This was no ordinary war, history will establish the fact. It was, when compared with other wars of the world, the greatest in the number of persons, and in killed and wounded. It was also the greatest in another respect, that the issue of the war was the future integrity of the nation. If not for the sacrifices of those who fought for the Un-

ion, this country would have been divided in two parts. The division in two parts would have established a principle in the South which would have resulted in other dissensions. One part of this country would have forever been for slavery and the other for freedom. This would have led to other wars, instead of prosperity we would have been engaged in turmoils and strifes. All of the nations of the world look to this nation as showing what a nation can accomplish.

These old soldiers have accomplished this much for this country, and you have discharged your obligation by taking care of the needy ones; you deserve a monument that shall last as long as time shall last, at the hands of the government, whose debt you have paid as money never could have paid it. All I desire, is to ask you to continue your good work. Others will question your work. I beg of you to stand together as old soldiers stand together.

While others may attempt to emulate what you have done, I fear that there is not another organization which can do what you have done, so I beg of you to continue in the good work. The time is fast coming when more will be required than has been in the past. If the government fails to do what it seems of importance to do or plan for it to do, come forward and say, "these are my wards and jewels." With your record of the past I have no fear for the future. I feel that the old comrades who are weak are as well cared for as they can be. The money thus expended is as well used as any other under the sun. It is not an investment only of the past, but also of the future. The mother can safely send her son to fight the battles of the country, for she knows that the country will never forget its obligation to her, if he leaves his life on the field for his country. The husband can feel that the country will take care of the wife, who has made greater sacrifices for the government than any money can pay for.

Had it not been for the feeling of the women in 1861 and up to the close of the war the Union could not have been saved. It was she who remained at home and gave up him she looked to for support who made the greater sacrifice. The man in the field had his mind kept on his duties and learned the duties of a soldier, looking forward to the day of strife. She who remained at home had nothing of that sort to keep her up; it was her womanly strength; and when she gave up she gave up more than the man.

When he left she took him to her bosom and told him I want you to come back to me as pure as you leave me. Who made the greater sacrifice? There is no question in my own mind when I think of it. The father spoke to him as a man would speak to a son. The father said "you are going to battle for your country, you owe it service. Yes, it is best for you to go; I am sorry that you are so young, but I think you can take care of yourself." But mother said "do all in your power but come back to me as you leave me." What an inspiration that was to him as he went into the army.



Mrs. Mary L. Carr,
National President, W. R. C.



Mrs. Fannie D. W. Hardin,
National Secretary W. R. C.



Mrs. Laura S. Dodge,
Member of Committee on National
Council of Women.

They did not care to conquer for the conquest sake; they made sacrifices for their country and when that country was saved they returned home to build up the country and make her second to no other nation on the globe. That is her position to-day. Today foreign nations that are hundreds of years older than we, are considering the problem of how to keep even with the youngest. They are combining against the young giant. They are now considering what this young giant of the west will do in China. All this is traceable to him who gave up his life for his country.

I can congratulate you upon your fine convention, and thank you for listening to me.

COL. STERRITT—Mrs. President, Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming: It is said "old men for council, young men for war." Is this wisdom or not wisdom to select the young men to perform the duties of war? Patriotism has come down to us in song and story, but it seems to me that when the history of the W. R. C. has been correctly written this organization will outshine others as the sun outshines the moon.

The Commander-in-Chief has said all that I would be able to say. Memorial Day always impresses me strongly all the organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic, when we annually meet to strew flowers upon the graves of the dead. The noble members of these ladies' organizations meet with us and do this work as faithfully as their hands administered to us at the front in the dark days of the war. As they were first at the cross and last at the tomb it is fitting that they should bestrew with flowers and tears the last resting place of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. Carr, National President, said in part—

I hardly know that I could add to what has been said, more than I had the pleasure of attending the Department Conventions of Massachusetts, Maine and Maryland. The Department of Massachusetts is the largest Department, numerically. The Commander-in-Chief was present at their encampment and we very much appreciated their fine entertainment. When I want to get inspiration, Massachusetts knows about all there is in the work. They were the ones that gave us their secret work, so Massachusetts is the banner Department. Then we went down to Maine; they have two organizations there, but they had a pleasant convention, and the Commander-in-Chief was in attendance and gave us a great deal of encouragement. From Maine we went to Baltimore, Maryland. This is the Department where half the members are colored, and at one time I hardly knew whether the Department there would last very much longer. The Commander-in-Chief was there and by his own presence and words encouraged them to continue in the work.

Moved by Mrs. Telford that this convention give a rising vote of thanks to Gen. Rassieur and his wife for courtesies ex-

tended to Mrs. Carr during her trip East; seconded by Mrs. Hardin, and carried.

Gen. Rassieur—I appreciate very highly your thanks and I assure you that if I ever feel the need of inspiration I am going to come to Colorado to Mrs. Carr. I want to say also that it was Massachusetts that took care of Mrs. Carr.

Nominations for Department Treasurer—

Mrs. Ormsby nominated Mrs. Laura B. Farrar, of Colorado Springs; seconded by Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Campbell nominated Mrs. Ida Critchell for Treasurer; seconded by Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson and others. Mrs. Farrar withdrew, and Mrs. Stephenson moved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Critchell as Department Treasurer. Motion seconded by Mrs. Buss, and carried. The Secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Critchell was declared elected Treasurer.

Mrs. Stephenson nominated Mrs. E. Helen Tiffany for Chaplain; seconded by Mrs. King.

Mrs. Sanford nominated Mrs. Madeline Sloan; seconded by Mrs. Lehow; nominations closed.

Mrs. French, chairman of Committee on Senior Vice-President's Report, read the following:

Mrs. President: The Committee on Senior Vice-President's Report, recommend its adoption, as being a very concise statement of work done during her term of office. The report breathes the sentiments of one imbued with patriotic zeal and an earnest wish to further the objects and purposes of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

BESSIE W. FRENCH,

MADELINE H. SLOAN,

Committee.

Mrs. Ullmer moved to adopt the report of the committee; seconded by Mrs. Baillie, and carried.

Mrs. Starbird read the report of the Committee on Junior Vice-President's Report, as follows:

Mrs. President: Your Committee on the report of the Junior Vice-President wish to express their appreciation, that she performed her work with credit to the office and the Order.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

H. E. STARBIRD,

LIDA BATEMAN,

ANNIE M. BEHNEY,

Committee.

Mrs. Young moved the report be accepted; seconded by Mrs. McGee, and carried.

Mrs. McGwire reported for the Committee on greeting extended to the Sons of Veterans.

Mrs. Critchell, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on the Report of the Department Treasurer, as follows:

Mrs. President: We, your committee appointed on the Treasurer's Report, find the same clear and concise in every particular, and recommend that it be accepted.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

IDA CRITCHELL,

LYDIA C. YOUNG,

SADIE M. FISHER,

Committee.

Mrs. Pray moved that the report be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Watson, and carried.

Mrs. Critchell read the Treasurer's report on the Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes, as follows:

Report of Department Treasurer

On Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, Colo., and Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Omaha, Nebraska, April 8, 1901.

Mrs. President: Having been appointed a committee to expend the money donated by the Corps of this Department for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, Colo., and Cheyenne, Wyoming, I herewith submit my report:

Cash Contributed by the following Corps:

	Debit.
Farragut Corps, No. 1	\$ 2.00
G. G. Meade Corps No. 6	2.00
James A. Garfield Corps No. 8.....	25.00
Gunnison Corps No. 12	5.00
Veteran Corps No. 14	10.00
R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18	1.00
Reno Corps No. 21	3.00
J. W. Anderson Corps No. 23	5.00
W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24	2.00
G. H. Thomas Corps No. 26.....	5.00
Geo. Washington Corps No. 42	3.00
J. C. Fremont Corps No. 45	3.00

\$66.50

Credit.

One year's subscription to 24 magazines and papers	\$37.35
22 Bound books for library	10.04
6 Dozen home made jellies	14.11
Transportation	2.40
Paid on Garrison flag (previously reported).....	2.00

\$66.50

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Cash contributed by the following Corps:

	Debit.	
W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24	\$ 2.50	
R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18	1.00	
Caspar W. Collins Corps No. 13	10.00	
G. H. Thomas Corps No. 26	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$18.50
	Credit.	
Sent check to General Frank Stitzer.....	\$15.00	
One year's subscription for Christian Herald, McClures and Cosmopolitan, and Saturday Evening Post	3.50	
	<hr/>	\$18.50

Several Corps sent contributions direct to the Homes with which they have been credited in General Orders.

I regret out of 43 Corps in the Department only 16 have remembered the Soldiers' Homes this year (as far as I know). One of our smallest in membership W. T. Sherman, has never failed to remember, not only the "Home" in their own state, but the Wyoming Home also, during the four years I have been on this committee. Are we not losing interest in the old veterans, who are spending the winter of their lives in loneliness? God forbid! May we make extra efforts next year to add to their comfort and pleasure.

I hope to have earned your approval for the manner in which I have spent the money entrusted to me. I corresponded with the officers of the Home at Monte Vista and Cheyenne and followed their suggestions in my purchases.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

CLARA RAPP.

The tellers reported ninety-seven votes cast for Department Chaplain. Necessary for choice 49. Mrs. Sloan received 62 votes, and Mrs. Tiffany 35 votes. Mrs. Madeline H. Sloan was declared elected Department Chaplain.

The President: The next in order is nominations for chairman of the Executive Board.

Mrs. McGwire nominated Mrs. Margaretta Kauffman; seconded by Mrs. French.

Mrs. Byers moved that the nominations close and the Secretary be directed to cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Kauffman as chairman of the Executive Board. Motion seconded and adopted. The Secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Margaretta Kauffman was declared elected.

The convention then proceeded with the nomination and election of the remaining members of the Executive Board, which resulted as follows:

Mrs. Hester W. Hartsell, of Denver; Mrs. Sybil E. Watson, of Pueblo; Mrs. Matilda Hotchkiss, of Fort Morgan; Mrs. Achsa
Dean, of Manitou

Mrs. Lehow, chairman of Committee on Secretary's Report, read the following:

Mrs. President: We, the committee on Secretary's Report, respectfully submit our approval. The report expresses concisely that which the convention desires to know. Our Department has been favored in that we have lost but one Corps with a membership of four, and that we have gained three applications for new charters. Our gains by initiation have exceeded our losses by death and suspensions, and that our relief has reached the magnificent sum of nearly four thousand dollars. While we regret the need of relief work, we should feel grateful that we have the funds to do the work. That besides the help rendered to the 479 individuals in a financial way, ambition and renewed hope have also been given to those who have received our charity.

We ask that her requests to Corps Presidents, urging them to be prompt in sending in their reports, be called to the attention by the delegates reporting the convention proceedings.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

ELOISE S. LEHOW,
KATE M. CLATWORTHY,
THERESE E. JENKINS,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Sanford that the report be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Haney; and motion carried.

Mrs. Fairchild, chairman of Committee on Report of Department Counselor, read the following report:

Mrs. President: Your committee has carefully examined the report of the Department Counselor, Alice M. Seeds, and we heartily recommend its careful consideration. We feel that she has given her best thought to the work, and join with her in the hope that every Corps in our Department may still use its best efforts in carrying out the principles of our Order--Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

LORETTA FAIRCHILD,
JENNIE SHARPE PURRIER,
ADELLA BITMAN,

Mrs. Watson moved that the report be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Johnson, and motion carried.

Mrs. Wayne, chairman, read the report of Committee on Report of Delegate-at-Large, as follows:

Mrs. President: Your Committee on the Report of the Dele-

gate-at-large, ELLEN B. HOLBROOK, have examined the same and find that she has faithfully performed her duties, and we heartily commend her for her excellent report.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

ELLA WAYNE,
SARAH J. JARRETT,
MARY P. SMITH,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Haney that the report be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Smith, and motion carried.

Mrs. Searl, chairman, read the following:

Mrs. President: We, the undersigned committee, have examined the report of our Department Chaplain and find the work performed with carefulness and love, and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

SUSIE J. SEARL,
JULIA FERRIS,
EMMA COLLINS,

Committee.

Mrs. McGwire moved the adoption of the report; Mrs. Pray seconded the motion, which was carried.

The report of the Committee on Department Inspector's report was presented by Mrs. Hartshorn, chairman, as follows:

Mrs. President: We have reviewed the report of the Department Inspector, find it correct, and heartily recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

HATTIE HARTSHORN,
JANE E. ALLISON,
MINNIE HAAS,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Purrier, seconded by Mrs. Wheatly, that the report be adopted; motion carried.

Mrs. Peabody, chairman, read the following:

Mrs. President: We, the committee appointed on the Report of the I. & J. Officer, have examined her report and find it correct, and recommend that it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

FLORETTA PEABODY,
IDA CRITCHELL,
L. A. HERRIOTT,

Committee.

Mrs. Ullmer moved that the report be adopted; seconded by Mrs. McGee, and motion carried.

The committee who visited the G. A. R. encampment reported a cordial reception.

Mrs. Mary Jewett Telford, chairman of Committee on Resolutions, read the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Mrs. President: The following resolutions have been handed to your committee, and are hereby passed to the convention, with our action thereon:

No. 1. Resolved, That the badge worn by the representatives of this Department to the Eighteenth National Convention at Chicago, in 1900, be made the permanent badge of this Department.

Approved by Committee.

Covered by the Report of the President.

No. 2. Resolved, That when an executive officer of this Department removes her residence to another Department without offering her resignation, her office shall be declared vacant by the Department President—two-thirds of the Department Council sanctioning the same—and the office shall be filled by the Department Council.

Approved by the Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin that the resolution be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Pray; carried.

No. 3. Resolved, That since the early records of this Department have been destroyed, a committee of three be named by the outgoing President, to make good, as far as possible, this missing early history in concise form; the same to be approved by the incoming President, and published inside the cover of the Journal of the Seventeenth Department Convention.

Approved by the Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Ullmer that the report of the committee be endorsed; seconded by Mrs. Watson, and carried.

No. 4. Resolved, That the following changes in the Rules and Regulations be recommended to the Nineteenth National Convention:

(A) "To add these words to Chapter II, Article IV, Section 3—'A member of a disbanded Corps, who was in arrears for dues at the time of such disbandment, may be admitted to any Corps upon the regular application, on payment of the regular fee, according to the provisions of Chapter V, Article IV, Section 2.'"

Not approved by committee.

Moved by Mrs. Killin that the report of the committee be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Watson.

Moved by Mrs. Carr that the motion be laid on the table; seconded by Mrs. Dwinell, and carried.

(B) "That the last sentence of Chapter II, Article IV, Section 5, Rules and Regulations, be replaced by these words:—'Applications for readmission to the Order, including transferred, dropped and honorably discharged members, may be re-admitted on the same vote as members upon their first application, the manner being prescribed in Chapter II, Article II, Section 4.'"

Approved by the Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Purrier that the resolution be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Ullmer, and motion carried.

Mrs. Hardin moved that the report of the Committee on Resolutions as a whole, be accepted; motion seconded by Mrs. Purrier, and carried.

Moved and seconded that five dollars be allowed the committee for expenses in preparing the early history of the Department. Motion adopted.

The Convention then proceeded to the nomination and election of Delegate-at-Large to the 19th National Convention at Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Young nominated Mrs. L. C. Herriott; seconded by Mrs. Beetham.

Mrs. Ditson nominated Mrs. Susie Carr McGwire; seconded by several; nominations closed.

Tellers reported 93 votes cast. Necessary to choice, 47. Mrs. McGwire received 71; and Mrs. Herriott 22 votes. Mrs. Susie Carr McGwire, of Longmont, Colo., was declared elected Delegate-at-Large.

The convention then proceeded to the nomination and election of other delegates, which resulted as follows:

1st Delegate—Mrs. Susie Searl, of Leadville, Colo.

2d Delegate—Mrs. Anna B. McGee, of Victor, Colo.

Mrs. Kyle, chairman, read the report of the Committee on Report of Patriotic Instructor, as follows:

Mrs. President: Your Committee on the Department Patriotic Instructor's Report have carefully examined the same and recommend its acceptance. She has been a good, conscientious officer, but owing to the fact that out of 43 Corps only 18 sent reports, her report must necessarily be incomplete. How can we hope to accomplish much along these lines when Corps are so negligent in this work? We would suggest that when Corps Presidents appoint this officer, they impress upon her the necessity of mak-

Helen L. Grenfell, State Superintendent of Schools, and hope some action may be taken at this convention for its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

STELLA A. KYLE,
SADIE L. COLE,
ELLEN WHEATLY,

Committee.

Mrs. Smith moved that the report be accepted; seconded by Mrs. Sanford, and motion carried.

Mrs. Ashbaugh, chairman, submitted the following report:

Mrs. President: We, the Committee on the Report of the Department Relief Committee, have examined the same, and find that the work has been done in a conscientious manner. The report was carefully written and delivered in an excellent manner, and we recommend the adoption of the same.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

CARRIE F. ASHBAUGH,
MARIA BAILLIE,
FANNIE DICKEY,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Byers, seconded by Mrs. French, that the report be adopted; motion carried.

Mrs. Alice Smith, chairman, read the following:

Mrs. President: We, your committee to whom was referred the Report of the Chief Aide, have carefully examined the same. We heartily approve the recommendation.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

ALICE T. SMITH,
MINNIE A. BEETHAM,
ACHSA A. PRAY,

Committee.

Mrs. Herriott moved that the report be adopted; seconded and adopted.

Mrs. Ditman moved that the Department pay to the National Standard publishers five dollars (\$5.00) for the Department Roster Notice printed in the National Standard. Motion seconded by Mrs. Collins and adopted.

Mrs. Baillie moved that the convention adjourn until 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Motion seconded and carried.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1901.

The convention called to order by the President. After the call of the roll, the pass word was taken by the Conductors. Present 56 voters.

Mrs. Hardin moved that a letter be sent to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stillings, thanking them for their kindness to Mrs. Carr during her illness in Boston. Seconded by Mrs. Carr, and carried.

Miss Tucker read greetings, as follows:

Chicago, Illinois, April 6, 1901.

My dear President:

Just a word of greeting as you lay down your emblem of authority, and a wish for your most successful convention. Your General Orders have been a pleasant reminder, although I have missed some of them. Colorado must have been strongly in my mind, as I wandered to your borders in my dreams last night. Remember me to my co-workers, and believe me now, as ever,

Faternally yours,

EMMA R. WALLACE.

Past National President W. R. C.

Three Rivers, Michigan, April, 1901.

MRS. MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President, Colorado and Wyoming—

To the Department of Colorado and Wyoming. W. R. C., assembled in convention in the City of Pueblo, Colo., I send you greetings:

The Department of Michigan, W. R. C. sends to you in little missive a heart full of good wishes for you; hoping, wishing and expecting that prosperity will attend all your deliberations in convention; and that each representative will take home to her Corps a share of enthusiasm, thereby advancing the work of the W. R. C. Loyally and thoughtfully we are yours in F. C. & L.,

ANNIE E. UDELL,

Department President.

Red Wing, Minnesota, April 7, 1901.

To the Department Officers of Colorado and Wyoming Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons of Veterans, and Ladies' Aid:

Please accept sincere thanks for your kind invitation to be present at the reception tendered to National Officers, and my heartfelt regrets at not being able to accept. The beautiful Centennial State was my home for many years, and though the "North Star" now claims my allegiance, my heart clings lovingly to Colorado, and my many friends of other days.

In F. C. & L.,

MRS. FLORA SARGENT WILSON,

Past President, Department Minnesota, W. R. C.

Laramie, Wyoming, April 9, 1901.

MRS. MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President, W. R. C.—

Dear Mrs. Kingsford—Accept congratulations for the work of the past year, and my best wishes for a successful convention. I will be with you in spirit, and will recall with loving memories the dear familiar faces in the convention hall. With cordial greetings to the officers and members of the Seventeenth Department Convention, I am,

Sincerely yours in F. C. & L.,

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Past Department President.

Oakland, Cal., April 10, 1901.

MRS. MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President, W. R. C.—

Greetings to the convention. May your deliberations be pleasant and profitable.

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Department Counselor.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 3, 1901.

Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, Department President, and Members of the Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C.—

Although an invalid in a distant state (California, the land of sunshine and flowers), and unable to be with you, my thoughts go out to you, and I extend greetings and pray that the Lord may guide you in your deliberations; that the results of the convention may be an honor and help to our Order, and of great benefit to the veterans of the G. A. R.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

ELLEN B. HOLBROOK,

Delegate-at-Large, C. & W.

The convention then proceeded to the nomination and election of alternates to the 19th National Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1901, with the following result:

Alternate-at-Large—Mrs. Scena Maxwell, Pueblo, Colo.

1st Alternate—Mrs. Mary J. Cole, Alamosa, Colo.

2d Alternate—Mrs. Jennie McGill, Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Campbell, chairman of Committee on Courtesies and Greetings, read the following report:

Mrs. President: Your Committee on Courtesies and Greetings have sent letters of greeting to the following Past Department Presidents:

Catherine C. Kennedy, America Anderson, Climena G. Howard, Laura S. Dodge, Janette Todd, Anna B. Holliday, Alice M. Seeds; and to Department Treasurer, Mrs. Clara Rapp, and to Mrs. E. B. Holbrook, Delegate-at-Large. Also replied to letters of kindly greeting from Annie E. Udell, Department of Michigan W. R. C., and from the Past Department President of Minnesota, Mrs. Flora S. Wilson.

We recommend that the thanks of this convention be extended to the Pianist, Conductors, Guards and Color Bearers, who have been faithful in the discharge of their duties; also to the members of Upton Corps, who have kindly looked after our welfare and made our visit in their city pleasant and enjoyable.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,

SUSIE C. McGWIRE,

FANNIE A. AMES,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin that the report of the committee be accepted; motion seconded, and carried.

Mrs. Lehow moved that the convention give a rising vote of thanks to the members of Upton Corps and the citizens of Pueblo for courtesies extended. Motion seconded, and adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mrs. Mary L. Carr, National President, extended her thanks to the daily press of the city, and to the members of Upton Corps for their kindness to her during the convention.

Mrs. Fannie D. W. Hardin, National Secretary W. R. C., also expressed her appreciation of courtesies received.

The report of the Committee to Visit the Ladies of the G. A. R. was read by Mrs. Hardin, as follows:

Mrs. President: Your committee to the Ladies of the G. A. R. visited the organization at 4 o'clock Thursday p. m., and were presented to the Department President and heartily welcomed. We had the pleasure of again meeting the Commander-in-Chief and Adjutant General. We bring back the hearty good will of these ladies, with an apology from the Department President that their committee to visit this convention was so small, owing to a misunderstanding.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

THERESE A. JENKINS,

BACIA GREBE,

EMMA ADAMS,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Ames that the report be accepted, seconded by Mrs. Sanford, and carried.

Report of Press Correspondent.

Harris, Colorado, April 6, 1901.

MRS. ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.—

Dear Madam: As is customary each year for the stewards of the Department to report to the Secretary, I beg to submit the following:

Taking into consideration the fact that the National Standard is in close touch with the several Corps of the Department, the work of the Press Correspondent has become a very small task. As regards my own efforts, I had hoped to become personally acquainted with all of the Press Correspondents, at least, of the Denver Corps, but sad to relate, the cares attendant on a busy life of business forbade. However, the work went on, for the Standard has aroused an interest in the work that is interesting to behold. For the outside Corps it might be suggested, however, that there is room for improvement; they might be heard from oftener. To the Department I would suggest that the Denver Corps do not care to have so near a monopoly of the Standard. With many wishes for the good of the coming convention, I am,

Yours in F. C. & L.,

EMMA J. MELLETTE,

Department Press Correspondent.

Report of Department Council.

Minutes of Department Council.

The Council of the W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, met at Department Headquarters in the Albany Hotel, Denver, Colorado, on Friday, March 23, 1900.

Council called to order at 5:25 p. m. by Minnie E. Kingsford, Department President.

Present: Mrs. Kingsford, Department President; Mrs. Pad-dock, Senior Vice-President; Miss Tucker, Junior Vice-President; Mrs. Kyle, Secretary; Mrs. Seeds, Councilor; Mrs. Waldo, Inspector; Mrs. Johnson, 1 & 1. Officer; Mrs. Capron, Mrs. Kauffman and Mrs. Mummah, Members of the Executive Board.

Minutes of the morning session read and approved.

Moved by Miss Tucker and seconded by Mrs. Kauffman that the railroad fare for the round trip of Mrs. Seeds and Mrs. Kyle, President and Secretary, be allowed. Motion carried.

Moved by Miss Tucker that the amount of the Albany hotel bill for Department Headquarters, be allowed; motion seconded by Mrs. Capron and carried.

Moved by Mrs. Capron, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the matter of paying for the badges be left to the discretion of the Corps of Denver, the Denver members of the Council acting as a committee to attend to it. The bill to be sent to Mrs. Kelly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Capron, that the incoming Department President and Secretary have the Department and National Journals bound, from 1895 up to date. Motion adopted.

The Executive Committee appointed Mrs. Capron, Mrs. Kauffman and Mrs. Mummah, members of the Auditing Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Kyle, that these appointments be accepted by the Council. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Waldo, that the Council adjourn. Motion carried. Council adjourned.

Pueblo, Colo., April 9, 1901.

The Council of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C., met at Department Headquarters in the Grand Hotel, Pueblo, Colo., April 9, 1901.

Present—President Minnie E. Kingsford; Senior Vice-President Jennie Paddock; Junior Vice-President Sarah A. Tucker; and Secretary, Annie Fishback. Meeting called to order by the President.

Moved by Mrs. Fishback that the bill of the Pueblo Chieftain Publishing Co. of \$10.00 for work on the Department Journals of last year, be allowed and a warrant be drawn for the amount on presentation of the bill from the Chieftain Publishing Co. Motion seconded by Mrs. Paddock and carried.

There being no further business the Council on motion adjourned.

Report of the Executive Board.

Pueblo, Colo., April 12, 1901.

MRS. MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President, W. R. C.—

The Executive Board respectfully submits its report for the 17th Annual Convention, held at Pueblo, April 10th to 12th, 1901.

The Executive Board met at the Albany Hotel, Denver, Mar. 23, 1901, and selected an Auditing Committee, which was confirmed by the Council, and has the following report to make:

Your committee appointed to audit the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, have carefully examined all books, accounts, and vouchers, on the following dates: July 16th and November 7th, 1900, and April 9, 1901, and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

MARGARETTA KAUFFMAN.

Mrs. Campbell moved that the Assistant Secretary, Sarah A. Tucker, be paid \$10.00 for her work. Motion seconded by several, and carried.

Mrs. Carr moved that the resolution "laid upon the table" at yesterday's session, be taken up for consideration. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hardin, and carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kyle that the convention endorse this resolution; seconded by Mrs. Stephenson, and motion adopted.

Mrs. Carr moved that the convention give a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Kingsford, retiring President, for her impartial rulings in the sessions of this 17th Annual Convention. Motion seconded by Mrs. Stephenson and unanimously adopted.

Moved by Mrs. McGill that the convention give a rising vote of thanks to Miss Tucker, as Assistant Secretary, for the hard labor she has done during this convention; seconded by Mrs. Stephenson, and carried.

Mrs. Ormsby moved that Upton Corps be requested to exemplify the ritual at 1:30 this afternoon; seconded by several, and carried.

The convention then adjourned to the Board of Trade Hall, to take part in the public installation of officers elect for 1901.

Installation Exercises.

Joint public installation exercises were held by the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, G. A. R.; Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the G. A. R.; the Ladies of the G. A. R.; the Sons of Veterans, and the Ladies Aid to the Sons of Veterans, at the Board of Trade Hall on Friday morning.

The meeting was called to order by Department Commander, Harper M. Oranhood.

The officers elect of the Woman's Relief Corps were installed by Mrs. Mary L. Carr, National President; Mrs. Jennie McGill acting as Conductor.

Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson having been duly installed as Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps, thanked the ladies for the honor conferred upon her and declared the 17th Annual Convention of the W. R. C. closed.

The officers elect of the Ladies of the G. A. R. and the Ladies Aid to the Sons of Veterans were installed by Mrs. Ruth E. Foote.

General Leo Rassieur, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., installed the officers-elect of the G. A. R.

Col. Loren S. Whitney installed the officers of the Sons of Veterans.

There being no further business the 22d Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, G. A. R., was closed.

Upton Corps No. 2, W. R. C., exemplified the ritual at the Convention Hall on Friday afternoon. The outgoing President, Mrs. Kingsford, and the incoming President, Mrs. Johnson, answered many questions and made helpful suggestions on the ritualistic work of our Order.

We hereby certify that to the best of our knowledge, the foregoing is a correct record of the proceedings of the 17th Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming Woman's Relief Corps.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President.

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Department Secretary.

Unofficial Proceedings.

The reception tendered the National Officers present by the Department officers of the various organizations at the Grand Hotel parlors on Wednesday evening was very enjoyable. On account of the very stormy weather there was not as large an attendance as expected, but refreshments were served and a very enjoyable time had by all those present.

Thursday evening at the Grand Opera House was held a grand camp fire. Comrade George W. Collins, of Pueblo, was chairman of the meeting and delivered the prefatory address. Addresses were made by Commander Harper M. Orahood, of the G. A. R.; Department President Minnie E. Kingsford and National President Mrs. Mary L. Carr, of the W. R. C.; Colonel Lorin S. Whitney, Division Commander of the Sons of Veterans; Miss Nannie Berry, Department President of the Ladies Aid to the Sons of Veterans; Mrs. Nellie H. Roller, Department President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., followed by Col. Frank M. Sterritt, Adjutant General of the G. A. R., interspersed with music by local talent of Pueblo. Then followed the principal speaker of the evening, General Leo Rassieur, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R.

The parade which the citizens of Pueblo had made preparations for on Friday afternoon was dispensed with on account of the unfavorable weather, by a resolution adopted by the G. A. R.

Decisions of the Seventeenth Annual Convention.

No. 1. That the per capita tax to the Department remain 15 cents.

No. 2. That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

No. 3. That Decision No. 22 be changed to read 6 per cent. of per capita tax be transferred to the Department Relief Fund.

No. 4. That a roster of the Department officers shall be issued in printed form soon after the Department Convention annually.

No. 5. That the design on our Department banner be adopted as the design for badge of delegates from this Department to the National Convention; and that a die be cast for the same.

No. 6. That a suitable book be furnished Department Headquarters for copying official letters for reference.

No. 7. That Department Aides' badges be furnished by the Department; to revert with office.

No. 8. That a storm serge flag be furnished Department Headquarters for draping on national holidays.

No. 9. That when an executive officer of this Department removes her residence to another Department without offering her resignation, her place shall be declared vacant by the Department President—two-thirds of the Department Council sanctioning the same—and the office shall be filled by the Department Council.

Greetings To The Grand Army Encampment.

HARPER M. ORAHOOD,

Department Commander:—

I have the honor to extend to you, and through you to the Twenty-second Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Grand Army of the Republic, the fraternal greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps, now in convention assembled.

I beg to submit to you the following report of our membership, financial standing, and amount of relief work extended during the year just closing:

Number of Corps	43
Number of Members	1740
Cash expended for relief	\$1,931.06
Cash expended in Department	89.05
Total cash expended	\$2,020.11
Value of relief, other than money.....	\$2,039.00
Cash turned over to Posts	223.10
Total relief value	\$4,542.20
Cash contributed to the Soldiers' Home,	
Colorado	\$ 63.50
Cash contributed to the Soldiers' Home,	
Wyoming	52.50
Cash contributed to Memorial Day in the	
South	19.35
Cash contributed to National Council of	
Women	12.84
Cash contributed to Andersonville Prison	
Fund	14.12
Cash contributed to National W. R. C.	
Home	15.00
Cash contributed to Texas Relief Fund..	256.00
Total contributions	\$ 433.81
Number of Soldiers assisted	295
Number of other persons assisted.....	184
Total number assisted	479
Total number assisted	479
Cash balance in Relief Fund of Corps....	\$ 107.35
Cash balance in General Fund of Corps.....	250.14
Total balance	\$ 357.49
Total value of Corps property	\$7,169.28

This is a statistical report of the work which binds the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps so closely in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

We still live to carry forward that which shall best serve your interests, loyal now, as in years past.

Each year as it passes brings us to realize more fully what it means to live in a country like ours, and what it has cost to preserve it.

Whatever duties the future may present, we trust we shall be ever ready to render loving service to its preservers.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,



Stephen M. Orabood

Department Commander.

General Orders.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WY- OMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, March 24, 1900.

General Orders No. 1—

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at the Department Convention held at Denver, March 21, 22, 23, 1900, I enter upon my duties fully realizing the responsibilities devolving upon me. I trust I may have the hearty co-operation of every member of our Order, and pledge myself to give my best efforts in the advancement of our beloved Order.

Department Headquarters are hereby established at Rawlins, Wyoming.

No appointment of Secretary having been made, all quarterly reports will be forwarded to Stella A. Kyle, 137 East Carr Avenue, Cripple Creek, Colorado.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, 4148 Gray Street, Denver, Colo., having been re-elected Department Treasurer, all orders for supplies will be addressed and per capita tax made payable to her.

A list of the newly elected and appointed officers will be announced in the next General Orders.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

STELLA A. KYLE,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

MEMORIAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WY- OMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

May 3d, 1900.

The day revered in honor of the nation's dead will soon be ushered in. It brings to us year by year new responsibilities and new duties.

As the living ranks of the old "Boys in Blue" grow thinner with each recurring Memorial Day, so the newly-made mounds of earth—their last camping ground in life's journey—make fresh appeal to our sense of their heroic struggles and sacrifices.

As we bring our flowers to deck the graves of departed comrades, let us not forget our obligations to the living. Many a heart will be bowed in grief on this anniversary; many a heart will feel the sting of sorrow afresh, and will once more long for "the touch of a vanished hand, the sound of a voice that is still." A word fitly spoken, a kindly deed in season, a salute to the badge, these and numerous other acts of kindness will soften the rough places of life and add a real value to the last floral offering. Do not forget the thousands of brave men whose last resting place can never be reached by mortal hands, on whose grave no blossom can be

placed. Arrange some suitable offering for these. Let the "Memorial service for the Unknown Dead" be part of the exercises of every Corps.

Especially let the children's assistance be encouraged and appreciated. Their young hearts are susceptible to the teachings of loyalty and love. Help them in every way to emulate the patriotism of their fathers.

Do not forget the action of the Twentieth Annual Encampment of the G. A. R. with regard to decorating the graves of the Spanish-American soldiers. They, too, are a part of our nation's dead.

"Rest on, embalmed and sainted dead,
Dear as the blood ye gave;
No impious footsteps here shall tread,
The herbage of your grave."

"Nor shall your glory be forgot,
While Fame her record keeps,
Or honor points the hallowed spot,
Where Valor proudly sleeps."

By command of

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Official: ANNA D. FISHBACK, Department President.
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, April 20, 1900.

General Orders No. 2—

1. The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, held at Denver, March 21, 22 and 23, elected the following officers:

Department President—Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyo.

Department Senior Vice-President—Jennie Paddock, Leadville, Colorado.

Department Junior Vice-President—Sarah A. Tucker, Pueblo, Colorado.

Department Chaplain—Pauline Ashbaugh, Central City, Colo.

Department Treasurer—Clara Rapp, 4148 Gray St., Denver, Colorado.

Department Executive Board—

Chairman—Mary E. Ingersol, Laramie, Wyoming.

1st Member—Marian E. Kelley, Rawlins, Wyoming.

2d Member—Lucy Capron, Denver, Colorado.

3d Member—Margaretta Kauffman, Denver, Colorado.

4th Member—Loretta Mumma, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

2. The following appointments are hereby announced:

Department Councilor—Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek, Colo.

Department Inspector—Sarah A. Waldo, 2127 W. 23d Ave., Denver, Colorado.

Department I. and I. Officer—Emma R. Johnson, Denver, Colo.

Patriotic Instructor—Olive Killin, Kiowa, Colorado.

These officers in the discharge of their duties will be respected and obeyed accordingly.

3. Delegates to the Eighteenth National Convention are as follows:

Delegate-at-large—Ellen B. Holbrook, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1st Delegate—Eloise Lehow, Denver, Colo.

2d Delegate—Hattie Buss, Fort Collins, Colo.

Alternate-at-Large—Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek, Colo.

1st Alternate—Mary Hader, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

2d Alternate—Olive Killin, Kiowa, Colo.

4. Department Relief Committee: Chairman, Mrs. Jennie McGill, 2537 Kensing Court, Denver, Colo.; Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyoming; Mary L. Jennings, Rawlins; Lida E. Dunnagan, Denver; Ida M. Fallis, Grand Junction, Colo.

5. Mrs. Emma J. Mellette has been appointed Department Press correspondent. Each Corps will appoint an assistant, if they have not already done so, and see that all items of interest to the Order are forwarded to her for publication.

6. The following auditing committee is announced:

Chairman—Lucy Capron, Denver, Colorado; Margaretta Kauffman, Denver; Loretta Mummah, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

7. Senior Aide and Chief of Staff—Mary E. Ullmer, Boulder, Colorado.

Department Aides: Mrs. M. McKinsey, Corps No. 1; Mrs. Kate Ellis, Corps No. 2; Lillian Tiffany, Corps No. 3; Anna Pierce, Corps No. 4; Jennie Reece, Corps No. 5; Jane Allison, Corps No. 7; Susie J. Searl, Corps No. 8; Theresa Jenkins, Corps No. 9; Nellie E. Barrow, Corps No. 11; Jessie S. Purrier, Corps No. 12; Mable Dunlap, Corps No. 13; Emma Beetham, Corps No. 15; Flora J. Hall, Corps No. 16; Ella B. Ackerman, Corps No. 17; Arabella C. Johnson, Corps No. 18; Maria Baillie, Corps No. 20; Mary E. Cole, Corps No. 22; Anna B. Leimberger, Corps No. 23; Gertrude M. Flint, Corps No. 24; Sadie Simons, Corps No. 25; Irene McLain, Corps No. 26; Elizabeth McLeod, Corps No. 28; Jessie Woodruff, Corps No. 30; Ella Wayne, Corps No. 31; Elizabeth Williams, Corps No. 32; Mary Johnson, Corps No. 35; Margaret C. Delo, Corps No. 37; Luella Wilson, Corps No. 38; Katie Sahrbeck, Corps No. 39; Ellen M. Pierce, Corps No. 40; Mary E. Campbell, Corps No. 41; Debra Moser, Corps No. 42; Effie V. B. Aldrich, Corps No. 43; Dora Horton, Corps No. 45.

8. The Department President would like the Aides to read carefully Section 12, Article VI, Chapter III, Rules and Regulations, and remember that there are duties connected with this office.

Aides must report to these headquarters their acceptance, before their commissions can be forwarded to them.

9. We had the pleasure of having with us at the convention Mrs. Abbie Adams, National 1. and 1. Officer. Her words of wisdom were of great use to the Individual Corps, and her presence assisted largely in making the convention a success.

10. The following donations to the Andersonville Prison Fund:

Caspar W. Collins, No. 13.....	\$.25
McPherson, No. 32 .....	.25
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	.50
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	.50
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.....	.20
Winfield Scott No. 19.....	.55

National Council of Women:

McPherson, No. 32	\$1.00
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26.....	\$1.00
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.....	.38
Gunnison, No. 12	1.00
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.....	.50
Geo. Washington, No. 42	1.00
Winfield Scott, No. 19.....	.50

National W. R. C. Home:

Caspar W. Collins, No. 13.....	\$2.00
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RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the Sixteenth Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming Woman's Relief Corps extend their sympathy to Commander-in-Chief Shaw in his sad bereavement in the loss of his wife.

Resolved, That a letter of sympathy be sent to the bereaved son of the late Annie Wittenmyer.

Resolved, That this Convention petition the Eighteenth National Convention to prepare and furnish a blank for the use of Department Aides in accordance with their duties, thereby facilitating the work of the Senior Aide in compiling her reports.

Resolved, That the Sixteenth Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming extend to Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Past Department President, their thanks for her very efficient work during the past seven years in keeping the records of disbanded Corps and other valuable records of this Department since its organization.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to George G. Meade Relief Corps No. 6, for their beautiful and proficient work in exemplifying the ritual.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be extended to the Pianist, Conductors, Guards and Color Bearers of this Convention; also, the Press, Members of Entertainment Committee in furnishing theatre party; Entertainment Committee of the G. A. R., and to all who have added to the pleasure and enjoyment of the week.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended to J. B. Fanning, manager of the Albany Hotel, for the use of parlors for the reception.

DECISIONS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

1. That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

2. That the per capita tax be continued at fifteen cents per quarter.

3. That the amount of cash in the Emergency Fund be placed in the Department Relief Fund.

4. That the incoming President use her discretion in making application to one of the leading papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions.

5. That Corps presidents do not appoint new patriotic committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

6. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in the schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and the Woman's Relief Corps.

7. That the Department Secretary send to the Department Press Correspondent monthly all items of interest in connection with Department work.

8. That 500 copies of the Journal be printed and that the decisions, the By-Laws of the Department, be revised by the retiring Department President, all obsolete matter to be stricken out.

9. That the names of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each administration, with the names of the corresponding officers of the Grand Army of the Republic from the organization of the W. R. C. in this Department be printed in the Journal.

10. That as full and complete reports of all officers are printed in the Journals only a summary of the chaplains, I. and I. Officer and Inspector's reports be read in convention.

11. That Mary L. Carr be continued the custodian of charter records of this Department.

12. That the words "wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier," should be eliminated from Decision No. 1, passed at the annual convention.

13. That hereafter the exemplification of the ritual shall not take place until after the election of officers.

14. That we endorse Past Department President Mary L. Carr for our next National President, and that we use every honorable means for her election at the Eighteenth National Convention at Chicago.

Memorial Day in the South will be observed this year as usual; and all Corps wishing to contribute to this fund will please send

Upton Corps, of Pueblo, Colo., has sustained a severe loss in the death of Past President Laura Mason. Mrs. Mason was also Past Department I. and I. Officer. The sympathy of the Department is extended to the bereaved family and the Corps of which she was a member.

From National Headquarters comes the sad news of the death of Sarah J. Martin, Past National President. Those who had the pleasure of meeting her at the Fourteenth Annual Convention will long remember her sweetness of manner and the gentle influence exerted by her over all. In loving remembrance of Mrs. Martin, let all charters be draped with mourning for thirty days.

National General Orders Nos. 6, 7 and 8 accompany these orders.

Paragraph V of National General Orders No. 6 regarding suspensions and honorable discharges, is specially recommended to the careful consideration of the different Corps by the Department President.

A new Department pass word accompanies this order.

By command of

Official:

STELLA A. KYLE,

Department Secretary.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

General Orders No. 3.—

May 1st, 1900.

The Eighteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in the city of Chicago, beginning August 29, 1900, with headquarters at the Palmer House. We are desirous of a full delegation from this Department, and would urge all those who are eligible to attend to make preparations to attend so that our full number may be represented.

Mrs. Anna D. Fishback, of Rawlins, Wyoming, has been appointed Department Secretary, and has entered upon her duties. All reports and communications may now be sent to her address at Rawlins, Wyoming.

The Department President wishes to here express her appreciation to Mrs. Stella A. Kyle for her kind services during the interim between the Convention and the appointing of the present Department Secretary, Anna D. Fishback.

We call the attention of the Corps Presidents to see to it that the reports of their Secretaries and Treasurers correspond before

sending them to the Department Secretary, thereby saving time and labor.

We desire to continue the Roll of Honor as established by our predecessors, and Corps Presidents will see that their reports are in the hands of Department Secretary by the FIFTH day of the first month of the quarter, that their names may be on this roll.

We regret to report three delinquent Corps this quarter, with a total membership of 79.

The Corps appearing on the Roll of Honor are as follows:

Farragut, No. 1; Upton, No. 2; Sedgwick, No. 3; Colorado Springs, No. 4; T. H. Dodd, No. 5; Geo. G. Meade, No. 6; Myron W. Reed, No. 7; J. W. Anderson, No. 23; W. T. Sherman, No. 24; Pfeiffer, No. 25; Geo. G. Thomas, No. 26; Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27; Ellsworth, No. 28; Elbert County, No. 29; James A. Garfield, No. 8; J. F. Reynolds, No. 9; North Fork, No. 11; Gunnison, No. 12; C. W. Collins, No. 13; Veteran, No. 14; U. S. Grant, No. 15; Grand Junction, No. 17; R. A. Cameron, No. 18; Winfield Scott, No. 19; Custer, No. 20; Reno, No. 21; Mulligan, No. 22; McPherson, No. 32; Maj. Anderson, No. 35; Akron, No. 36; E. M. Stanton, No. 37; Phil Sheridan, No. 44; Jim Bowie, No. 30; A. E. Burnside, No. 38; Pike's Peak, No. 39; M. M. Crocker, No. 40; Victor, No. 41; Geo. Washington, No. 42; Joe Hooker, No. 43; John C. Fremont, No. 45; A. J. Smith, No. 31.

The report of the Department Secretary for the quarter is as follows:

Number of Corps in good standing.....	41
Number of members	1718
Amount expended for relief	\$370.39
Relief other than money	517.20
Donations to the S. and S. Home, Monte Vista, one quilt, M. M. Crocker, No. 40	
Donations to Andersonville Prison:	
Pfeiffer, No. 25	\$2.50
George Washington, No. 40 .....	.22
J. W. Anderson, No. 23 .....	.54
Custer, No. 20 .....	.20
J. C. Fremont, No. 45 .....	.14
Veteran, No. 14 .....	.31
U. S. Grant, No. 15	1.00
Maj. Anderson, No. 35.....	.10
Donations to National Council of Women:	
J. W. Anderson, No. 23 .....	.50
Sedgwick, No. 3.....	.50
Reno, No. 21 .....	.43
C. W. Collins, No. 13	1.00
Pfeiffer, No. 25	3.00

Emma J. Mellette, of Arvada, Colorado, is the Department Press Correspondent for this year and would like to hear from all the Corps. Let a wide-a-woke Press Committee be appointed in each Corps that all items of interest to the Order may appear in the official organ, The National Standard. This paper is devoted to the interests of the G. A. R. and the Woman's Relief Corps, and we believe that it would stimulate the Press Committees by bring-

ing them in closer touch with the work of the Department, if each Corps would subscribe for it.

The following aides have been appointed:

Susie Rinn, Veteran No. 14; Minnie Hardin, Buena Vista, No. 44; Minerva Lewis, North Fork, No. 11; Stella Newman, Geo. G. Meade, No. 6; Ida Critchell, Reno, No. 21; Elwilda Stoddard, Elbert County, No. 29; Ella C. Derby, Akron, No. 36.

Delegate-at-Large is Ellen Holbrook, of Colorado Springs; through a mistake of the printer this name was omitted from last General Orders.

Memorial orders accompany these General Orders.

Corps Chaplains will please have their Memorial Day reports sent in to the Department Chaplain, Pauline Ashbaugh, Central City, Colo., by the 5th of June.

By command of

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Dept. President, W. R. C.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, August 7, 1900.

General Orders No. 4—

"The Department Commander announces that the official train will be over the Union Pacific to Council Bluffs, and Northwestern to Chicago, returning via Chicago & Alton and Union Pacific through Kansas City, or Chicago & Northwestern through Council Bluffs if so desired. The rate will be one fare for the round trip from all points in this Department. Tickets will be on sale August 23d to 26th inclusive, final limit September 1st. Tickets deposited with the Joint Ticket Agent in Chicago between August 27th and September 2d, and the payment of 50 cents, will be extended until September 30th. Sleeping car will be \$6.00 for double berth to Chicago—chair cars free. Tourist sleepers will be attached, provided a sufficient number desire them at \$2.50 for double berth to Chicago. The official train will leave Denver, Saturday, August 25, at 10:30 p. m., and the Department Commander expresses the wish that all who can do so will go on that train.

"Department Headquarters at Chicago will be at Room 242 Palmer House, and the Headquarters Woman's Relief Corps of this Department will be at Room 240; Headquarters of the Ladies of the G. A. R., Room 237, same hotel, August 27th to September 1st, inclusive. All Comrades and Members of this Department are invited to visit Headquarters during their stay in Chicago."

It is the earnest desire of the Department President that this Department be fully represented.

"At the request of the General Committee the following announcement is made as to the handling and delivery of baggage, and which arrangement it is believed will prevent much of the disappointment and delay experienced at former Encampments.

The Citizens' Committee will have a booth at each railway station in Chicago—a Bureau of Information—and all comrades and their friends visiting Chicago should retain their checks for baggage until their arrival in the city, and then deliver them to the agent of the Citizens' Committee at the Railway Station, who will be found at the Bureau of Information, and at a reduced rate of 25 cents per package, the baggage will be promptly delivered to the proper address without any delay or further trouble."

The Department Secretary wishes all Delegates and Alternates who are unable to attend the Convention to notify her by August 20th, so that all vacancies may be filled. Delegates and members must procure National Password from their Corps Presidents before leaving, and must wear the badge of the Order. Each delegate must provide herself with small flag in order to give proper salute at Convention. These can be obtained from Department Treasurer Mrs. Clara Rapp, 4148 Gray St., Denver, for 15 cents apiece.

The delinquent Corps this quarter are: Sedgwick No. 3; Kilpatrick, No. 34; A. E. Burnside, No. 38; Victor, No. 41. Owing to mistake on the part of No. 38, the reports were sent to the former Department Secretary, and consequently did not reach Headquarters until July 31st.

The Department President wishes to call attention of all Corps Presidents to the note at foot of page on Secretary's report. Please see that Corps secretaries understand fully its meaning; errors occur on so many reports as to the number remaining in good standing at the end of quarter. Don't be over anxious to suspend, but use good judgment and give each member in arrears all the opportunity in your power to pay up, and use suspension only as a last resort. Presidents also see that backs of Secretary's and Treasurer's reports are properly filled out before sending to Department Secretary. Each Corps is entitled to 14 rituals. Several Corps reported only 3 or 4 rituals. Corps Presidents please see that full number is reported. Also see that per capita tax is made to Clara Rapp, Denver, but mailed with both reports to Anna D. Fishback, Department Secretary, Rawlins, Wyoming. Secretary's and Treasurer's reports should correspond as to number in good standing, amount paid out for relief and amount other than money. If Corps officers will note the above points, very few reports will have to be returned.

Contributions to Memorial Day in the South are as follows: Gunnison, No. 12, \$1.00; Joe Hooker, No. 43, \$1.00; McPherson, No. 32, \$2.00; Reno, No. 21, \$1.00; J. A. Garfield, No. 8, \$5.00; A. J. Smith, No. 31, 85 cents; Sedgwick, No. 3, \$1.00; U. S. Grant, No. 15, \$2.00; C. W. Collins, No. 13, \$1.00; Grand Junction, No. 17, \$1.00; Upton, No. 2, \$1.00; G. G. Meade, No. 6, \$1.00; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$1.00; J. C. Fremont, No. 45, \$1.00

Contributions to S. and S. Home, Colorado: J. C. Fremont, No. 45, \$3.00; G. G. Meade, No. 6, \$2.00.

Contributions to Andersonville Prison Fund: Joe Hooker, No.

43, 10 cents; Gunnison, No. 12, 25 cents; M. W. Reed, No. 7, 10 cents; Farragut, No. 1, 25 cents; Jim Bowie, No. 30, 10 cents; Grand Junction, No. 17, 25 cents; Upton, No. 2, 20 cents; T. H. Dodd, No. 5, 18 cents.

Contribution to National Council of Women: Upton, No. 2, \$1.00; Elbert, No. 29, 35 cents; Colorado Springs, No. 4, 50 cents; Maj. Anderson, No. 35, \$1.05; J. A. Garfield, No. 8, \$1.50; North Fork, No. 11, 90 cents; Nathaniel Lyons, No. 27, \$1.00; M. M. Crocker, No. 40, \$1.16.

The following ladies have been appointed Department Aides: Matilda Ryan, No. 13; Elizabeth Fahrion, No. 29; Maria Hollens, No.; Anna McKnight, No. 19; Nora Woods, No. 21.

These and former appointees please notify Headquarters of your acceptance, so that your commissions may be sent you. Badges can be obtained by Department Aides from Clara Rapp, Denver, for 40 cents apiece.

Many of the Department Aides appointed have not yet sent in their acceptance. Will Corps Presidents please find out whether these ladies care to accept, and if not send the name of some one else to be appointed by the Department President.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, has changed its regular meetings from 1st and 3d Saturdays to 1st and 3d Fridays, and U. S. Grant, No. 15, has changed place of meeting from Masonic Hall to I. O. O. F Hall and time of meeting to 1st and 3d Thursdays.

We announce with regret that Akron Corps No. 36, has disbanded.

A court of inquiry was held by J. A. Garfield Corps, No. 8, May 12, 1900. Charges were preferred against Minnie Guire for conduct unbecoming a lady and a member of our Order. Charges were sustained and she was dishonorably discharged. Approved by Corps President and forwarded to Headquarters. After careful examination I hereby endorse the proceedings, and the said member is dishonorably discharged this first day of June, 1900.
(Official)

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Dept. President, W. R. C.

Department Headquarters acknowledges receipt of printed copy of minutes of the 21st Annual Encampment held at Denver; also copy of 7th Annual Convention of Ladies of the G. A. R., and one of 16th Annual Convention of Maine.

Journals of the 16th Department Convention have been forwarded to all representatives entitled to them. Members desiring copies can procure same by forwarding five cents to Department Treasurer to cover postage.

Department President wishes to state to all those who have so kindly remembered her by letter that owing to the press of Department work and correspondence necessary thereto, she has been unable to answer, but thanks all those whose kindness prompted the remembrance and assures them that their graceful courtesy has been fully appreciated and will be long remembered.

This Department sympathizes with the Grand Army of the Republic in the loss of Past Commander-in-Chief John P. Rea, who departed this life May 28, 1900.

It is with deep sorrow that we record the death of Mrs. Mary H. Shepherd, Past National Secretary of the Woman's Relief Corps, who died May 22, 1900.

Since last General Orders, the following worthy members have entered into rest:

Myra Peterson of M. M. Crocker Corps, died June 19, 1900;
Mary Champlain of the same corps died June 3, 1900.

Mattie A. Gibson of George Washington Corps, died June 5, 1900.

The sympathy of this Department is extended to the families of the deceased and to the Corps of which they were members.

By command of

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Dept. President, W. R. C.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, Oct. 31, 1900.

General Orders No. 5—

1. The 18th National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, held in Chicago, August 28 to 31, inclusive, was one of the most enthusiastic and largely attended sessions in the history of our Order, 424 voting delegates being seated at one time. The convention was honored with the presence of Miss Clara Barton, our loved honorary member, who tells us "that in helping humanity we are helping our own souls." Past National Commander Paul Van Dervoort also paid our convention a visit. As he was leaving for Cuba it might be called a farewell visit. It was during his administration in 1883, and through his untiring efforts, that the Woman's Relief Corps became a national organization. The convention received him with a burst of enthusiasm, and he was literally covered with badges from every Department, Colorado and Wyoming leading in the presentation. Department of Colorado and Wyoming was represented by 11 delegates, which was most gratifying.

We take pleasure in announcing to the Corps of our Department the election of Mary L. Carr to the honored position of National President. She was the unanimous choice of the convention.

Our thanks are due to Department Commander Oranhood and staff for the many courtesies extended during convention.

2. Annual election of officers will take place at first regular

tion. Corps Presidents will read Article VIII, Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, before proceeding with the election.

Delegates shall be elected at the ratio of one delegate and one alternate for every 20 members in good standing at the time of the quarterly report, September 30, 1900, and one delegate and one alternate for a final fraction of more than one-half that number.

The officers-elect will select their installing officer. Should a member of another Corps be selected the name should be reported to Department Secretary, when the detail will be made by Department President. All expense incurred will be paid by the Corps installed.

3. Installation of officers shall take place at a regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for that purpose during the month.

Two election blanks will be forwarded to each Corps President who will deliver them to the installing officer. These blanks should be filled out according to Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Article II, Section 1, and one copy be forwarded to Department Secretary Anna D. Fishback, Rawlins, Wyoming, and one to Emma R. Johnson, Department I. and I. Officer, room 19, Masonic Building, Denver, Colorado. All items of interest connected with installation should be noted.

4. From the number of suspended members reported September 30, we feel that we must urge Department Aides to more thorough and energetic work. There are still a number who have not accepted the appointment. Each Corps should have a Department Aide to assist in keeping up the interest looking after delinquents, etc. Will Corps Presidents please see if they have one who has received her commission. Aides should report quarterly all duties performed to Senior Aide and Chief of Staff Mary E. Ullmer, Boulder, Colorado.

Corps on the Roll of Honor are Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 31, 32, 34, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44.

Delinquent Corps are Nos. 11, 29, 30, 35, 45.

Department Secretary feels that she must again urge all Corps Presidents to send in reports by the 5th of the month. If you will give this attention you will save the Department both expense and anxiety.

Our call for the relief of the Galveston sufferers has met with a generous response from many of our Corps. The urgent appeal which came to us seemed to demand immediate attention, hence our departure from our usual custom of forwarding all donations through the regular channels to Department Treasurer. Corps that have not yet contributed will please send their donations through the regular channels to Department Treasurer Clara Rapp, whose present address is 4012 Charles street, Omaha, Neb.

Attention of Corps is called to circular No. 1 from National Headquarters, asking for relief for Galveston sufferers. Corps of this Department that have already given to this cause may use

their own discretion in responding to these calls. Let the state of your relief fund dictate your action in this matter.

6. National General Orders No. 2 also accompany these orders.

National password also accompanies the orders. Corps not receiving will notify these headquarters.

By command of

ANNA D. FISHBACK,
Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,
Dept. President, W. R. C.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, December 13, 1900.

General Order No. 6—

All newly elected officers must be installed at a regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting held for that purpose. If the installing officer be selected from another Corps she must be so detailed by the Department President and all expenses of such installing officer must be borne by the Corps installed. The Department recommends joint installation with Post or Sons of Veterans, and where advisable, public installation.

Installing officers will see that their reports are forwarded—one to Department Secretary and one to Department I. and I. Officer, Emma R. Johnson, Masonic Temple, Room 19, Denver, Colo. Installing officers will be careful as to spelling of names of new officers and give full address of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain. Treasurer elect must file her bond before being installed and Department President wishes to impress upon the newly elected officers the full weight of the obligation taken at the installation.

Press Correspondents are asked to send to the National Standard, Granite Block, Denver, Colo., all items of interest pertaining to installation or any social event of the Corps. This paper is our official organ and they are anxious and willing to publish notices of this kind from the Corps.

Corps Nos. 11, 29, 35 and 45 are reinstated this quarter, but owing to removal of President of No. 30, from Amethyst, the quarterly reports from Department Secretary to that Corps were never received; hence their delinquency.

Again Department Secretary urges that Presidents see that the reports from their Corps reach Department Headquarters by January 5, 1901.

The following Department Aides have been appointed: Emma Comstock, C. M. Stanton, No. 37; Mary J. Cole, Pfeiffer, No. 25; Ellen Wintermute, No. 43.

Donations for the Texas Relief Fund are as follows: Upton, No. 2, \$5.00; Colorado Springs No. 4, \$10.00; J. C. Fremont No. 45, \$5.00; Phil Sheridan No. 44, \$2.00; Grand Junction No. 17, \$5.00; M. M. Crocker No. 40, \$5.00; J. F. Reynolds No. 9, \$10.00; Geo.

Washington No. 42, \$1.00; McPherson No. 32, \$35.00; Elbert County No. 29, \$1.00; W. T. Sherman No. 24, \$5.00; C. W. Collins No. 13, \$5.00; Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, \$10.00.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes: W. T. Sherman No. 24, \$2.00; J. C. Fremont No. 15, \$3.00.

While on our tour of inspection we had the pleasure of visiting our Soldiers' Homes. The Wyoming Home accommodates about thirty-three inmates, and as the building is small, find themselves somewhat crowded. Everything is kept spotlessly clean and the comrades are comfortable and contented. Bedding, pillows, mattresses and a few more overcoats are needed and anything our Corps may feel able to contribute will be gladly received. The Colorado Home is an older and much larger institution and is well fitted to give comfort and rest to the Veterans who seek its shelter after long years of toil and struggle. They are not in need of any of the necessities of life, but anything that would help them pass a pleasant hour would I am sure be greatly appreciated.

Let us remember these men once had homes with wife and children around them and now in their last days they are separated from them all, and it is our duty and privilege to cheer and comfort them, and the best we can give is not too good for the men who sacrificed so much that we might enjoy a united country. All donations of money should be forwarded to Clara Rapp, 4012 Charles St., Omaha, Neb., who is appointed a committee on Soldiers' Homes and who will renew all subscriptions to current literature for the year.

It is with deep sorrow that we record the death of the following beloved members of our Order:

Mrs. Mattie Gibson, of Geo. Washington No. 42, died June 5, 1900.

Mrs. Garvin, of Pike's Peak No. 39, died March 14, 1900.

Alice Hough, of Nathan Lyon No. 27, died July 27, 1900.

The Department extends sincere sympathy to these Corps in their loss.

We are again on the threshold of the Christmas Holidays. The time of the year when most hearts are open and the air rings with happiness; the time when those more favored with the world's goods should look about them and share their abundance with those less fortunate; for there are some sad ones on these days; some who are lonely too, and have only memories upon which to dwell. Let our hearts go out in thanks for our own blessings, but, Oh! let us not forget to reach out a hand of cheer! Think of the comrades in our Homes. Perhaps many will go unremembered unless we take upon ourselves that pleasantest of all duties, the joy of giving. It takes so little to make someone happy. Let each

Corps make an effort to brighten what might otherwise be a dark day for some.

By command of

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Dept. President W. R. C.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, January 30, 1901.

General Orders No. 7—

1. There is no more fitting time to renew our allegiance to each other, to our Corps, to the Department and National Organization, than now. Standing on the very threshold of a new century, with the future all before us, our opportunities are limitless. In the year that has just found its dearly earned repose, there may have been many mistakes. Let us profit by the lessons they have taught, and cover our shortcomings with a mantle of charity. For the days to come, let us each pledge our very best efforts to our common cause. Just where we may live, what may be our vocation in life, or where we may rest at its close, it matters little.

"But whether I do the best I can
To lighten the weight of Adversity's touch
On the faded cheek of my fellow man,
It matters much."

2. The 17th Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming will convene at Pueblo, Colo., on April 10, 11, and 12. Further information concerning it will be published in future General Orders. Isolated Corps are requested, aye, urged to make every effort to send at least one representative to Department Convention. If traveling expenses are high, give some little entertainment to raise the money necessary. It is impossible for us to live a life of usefulness, or to keep up an interest in the work, unless we can come together once a year at least to see what others are doing for the cause. An exchange of ideas is always beneficial, and we return to our respective Corps full of new life and enthusiasm—ready to take up the work with renewed zeal. The benefit to the Corps is incalculable.

3. Corps' Installing Officers will forward election returns immediately. The roster for the coming Convention cannot be completed without them.

4. Assistant Patriotic Inspectors will see that Lincoln's Day and Washington's Birthday are properly observed in the schools by arranging suitable programs. Department Patriotic Instructor requests that report of her assistants be sent in to her by Mar. 19.

5. Department Aides must report in detail all work performed to Chief Aide Mary E. Ullmer, Boulder, Colorado, that she may be

6. Our quarterly reports show five delinquent Corps again this quarter. What can we say more to urge our Corps Presidents to attend to this matter at the proper time? Not once during this administration have we been able to report all Corps on the honor roll. Will you not, my Presidents, do me a personal favor and forward all reports on time this first quarter of the new year, which will be the last of my administration, so that just once you may all appear on the roll of honor? Our reports to the National Secretary and Treasurer must close earlier next quarter in order to get to Convention, so please bear this in mind and let every report be in the hands of Department Secretary not later than April 1st.

The standing of the Department is as follows:

..	Number of members in good standing..	1,655
	Cash expended for relief during the	
	quarter	\$908.50
	Relief other than money	\$712.95
	Number of soldiers assisted	107
	Total number of person assisted.....	260

Corps on the roll of honor for fourth quarter are: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44 and 45.

7. The Department President wishes to express her thanks to the Corps for their generous response to the call for aid to the Galveston sufferers. Corps that sent their donations direct to Nina Metcalf, Department Treasurer of Texas, please forward your receipts for same to Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, 4012 Charles St., Omaha, Neb., if you have not yet done so, that due credit may be given where it belongs.

Donations to Texas Relief since last General Orders:

Previously reported	\$99.00
U. S. Grant No. 15	10.00
Sedgwick No. 3	2.00
A. E. Burnside No. 38	16.50
Wadsworth No. 16	5.00
Pfeiffer No. 25	5.00
R. A. Cameron No. 18	5.00
G. G. Meade No. 6.....	5.00
Pike's Peak No. 39	5.00
James A. Garfield No. 8.....	10.00
Veteran No. 14	5.00
Winfield Scott No. 19	5.00
Custer No. 20	5.00
G. H. Thomas No. 26	15.00
Ellsworth No. 28	10.00
Maj. Anderson No. 35	3.00

Total

\$205.50

8. We regret to state that donations to our Soldiers' and

this good cause. We trust our liberality to Texas has not interfered with our duty nearer home. Remember, "This ought ye to have done, not to leave the other undone."

Through Commander Shaw we learn that there has been expressed a desire for a billiard table for the Colorado Home. No doubt this would give many pleasant hours to the comrades, and we had hoped to be able to grant their wish, but unless contributions come in better it will be beyond our reach this year.

Contributions to Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes:

COLORADO HOME.

J. A. Garfield No. 8	\$25.00
Veteran No. 14	10.00
Geo. Washington No. 42	3.00
Reno No. 21	3.00
W. T. Sherman No. 24	1.50

WYOMING HOME.

C. W. Collins No. 13	10.00
W. T. Sherman No. 24	1.50
Geo. H. Thomas No. 26	5.00

Total\$64.00

Pfeiffer No. 25, to Colorado Home, one set Marryatt's Works, valued at \$15, and 17 pints of jelly, valued at \$5.50. Custer No. 20, to Wyoming Home direct, \$20 cash and Christmas box valued at \$10. C. W. Collins No. 13, one box literature to Wyoming Home, valued at \$10.

9. Contributions to Andersonville Prison Fund shall be forwarded with reports for first quarter of the year. Assessment is one-half cent per member.

10. Remember, contributions to our National W. R. C. Home are always in order, and always gladly received. Let us deem it a privilege to minister to the comforts of the noble women who rendered such loving service in the sixties.

• Contributions to National W. R. C. Home:

George Washington No. 42	\$1.00
Fannie D. W. Hardin, sub. to National	
Standard	1.00

11. All deaths occurring during the year must be reported to Department Chaplain Pauline Ashbaugh, Central City, Colo.

By command of

Official:

ANNA D. FISHBACK,
Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E KINGSFORD,
Dept. President, W. R. C.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyoming, March 7, 1901.

General Orders No. 8—

1. The Seventeenth Department Convention will be held at

Union Avenue. Department Headquarters will be established at the Grand Hotel, corner Eighth and Santa Fe Avenue, two blocks west from Eighth Street Depot. All members and friends of the Order will find a most cordial welcome.

2. The membership of the convention will consist of Department officers, Past Department Presidents, Past Department Secretaries, Past Department Treasurers, Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents, and all regularly elected delegates. Should any delegates be unable to attend, the first alternate will fill the vacancy. Credential cards are enclosed with these General Orders, and Corps Presidents are requested to see that they are properly filled out and placed in the hands of those entitled to them. The President's card must be signed by the Senior Vice President and Secretary.

3. Hotel accommodations are as follows: Grand Hotel and Depot, \$2.50 and \$3.00 per day; Southern and Fariss Hotels, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day. The committee are arranging for accommodations in private families, but cannot get the information to these headquarters in time to publish in General Orders.

4. The railroads have granted the usual rates—one fare for the round trip in Colorado—and the Union Pacific railroad has granted the same reduction to all points as far west as Evanston, Wyoming. Tickets will be on sale April 9 and 10, good until April 15, limited to continuous passage in each direction. Reception committee will meet all trains.

5. The credential committee, consisting of Anna D. Fishback, Margelia E. Hamilton and Josephine A. Cheeseman, will be at the Grand Hotel Tuesday afternoon, April 9, and at Convention Hall, Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. Representatives to convention will please present credential cards immediately upon their arrival and secure delegates' badges.

6. Convention will be called to order promptly at 9:30 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, April 10. Officers and delegates are requested to be in their seats at that hour, that we may at once proceed with the business of the convention. All members intending to visit the convention must procure the password from their Corps Presidents, as they cannot be admitted without it, and it can be obtained in no other way. Corps that were delinquent with their per capita tax last quarter are not entitled to representation in the convention, unless reinstated before April 9.

7. Officers and chairmen of committees, who are expected to render a report to the convention, are requested to forward the same to these headquarters by April 1, for approval by the President. Department officers who are unable to attend the convention will forward their report; also their Department badge and all Department property that may at that time be in their possession.

8. Department Treasurer will close her books April 4. Corps are requested to remit any sums due the Department and order all supplies before that date. All bills against the Department must be sent the Department Secretary by the same date.

9. The Department Auditing Committee will meet with Sarah

A. Tucker, Assistant National Inspector, at Department Headquarters at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. A Department Council meeting will be held at same place at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening.

10. All resolutions and recommendations to be presented to the convention must be sent to the Department Secretary by April 1st.

11. The Grand Army of the Republic, assisted by the Woman's Relief Corps and all allied orders, will hold a reception in honor of all visiting National Officers, on Wednesday evening, at Department Headquarters. Friends interested are cordially invited.

The citizens' committee are organizing camp fires and other entertainments for Thursday and Friday evenings.

12. Upton Corps No. 2, will exemplify the ritual immediately following the election of officers.

13. Journals of the 18th National Convention will be forwarded to all entitled to them direct from the publisher, E. B. Stillings. Any Corps President failing to receive a copy please notify the Department Secretary.

14. Attention is called to Decision No. 37 of the 18th National Convention, published in National General Orders No. 3, that proper steps be taken to erect a monument to the loyal women of the civil war, to be placed in the Chicamauga National Military Park, Tennessee. The Department of Tennessee, W. R. C., are sending out circulars to every Grand Army post and every Corps in the United States, hoping thereby to enlist their interest. Let the loyal women of our Department contribute as they feel able to this patriotic work. Please remember that all funds for this must pass through the hands of our Department Treasurer, otherwise our Department will get no credit for these donations.

15. All delegates and representatives are requested to procure the small silk flag for convention salute before coming to convention. They can be purchased from Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, 4012 Charles St., Omaha, Neb., for 15 cents.

16. Department Patriotic Instructor requests that reports of her assistants be sent in to her by March 20.

17. Donations for Texas relief:

Myron W. Reed No. 7	\$ 5.00
R. A. Cameron No. 18	5.00
S. H. Dodd No. 5	5.00
Mulligan No. 22	17.00
North Fork No. 11	10.00
Farragut No. 1	1.00
Previously reported	205.50

Total\$248.50

Donations for Soldiers' and Sailors' Home—Colorado:

Reno No. 21	\$3.00
R. A. Cameron No. 18	1.00
J. W. Anderson No. 23	5.00
Farragut No. 1	2.00

Donations for Soldiers' and Sailors' Home—Wyoming:

R. A. Cameron No. 18	\$1.00
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Donations for National W. R. C.—

C. W. Collins No. 13	\$10.00
Farragut No. 1	1.00
Total	\$11.00

Other Donations: U. S. Grant No. 15 to Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Colorado—2 copies "Outlook" \$5.50; 2 barrels turkey, 2 of cranberries, \$29.90. J. F. Reynolds No. 9 to Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Wyoming—Money, \$15.00; Delicacies, \$15.00.

Mrs. Cella Chase departed this life February 8, 1901. She was an honored member of Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, of Boulder, Colorado.

Mrs. Nancy A. Luke died February 25, the oldest member of Geo. H. Thomas No. 26. She was buried with the Corps burial service at her own request.

Albert D. Shaw, Past Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., passed peacefully away from earth to join the host on the other shore February 10, 1901. In his death the veteran loses a warm friend; the G. A. R. a loved and honored member, and the W. R. C. a faithful and able supporter. The earnest sympathy of this Department is extended to the G. A. R. in their great loss.

In this, my last official communication to the Corps of this Department, I wish to acknowledge the many courtesies that have been extended to these headquarters by the Department Commander and staff. All communications submitted to them have received prompt attention. To the Corps I wish to say that I most sincerely appreciate the many acts of kindness—the loving word that many times came just in time to lighten the burden of some problem to be solved. May God bless the loyal women of Colorado and Wyoming, and ever prosper them in their work of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

By command of

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Special Orders No. 1—

Members of the Dept. of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C. :

Your attention is respectfully invited to the fact that a number of legislative measures favorably affecting old soldiers are now pending before Congress.

One of the most important, so far as this Department is con-

1057) providing for the establishment of a Soldiers' Home near Denver, Colo. Its features may be briefly summed up as follows:

"The Home to be located within a radius of five miles from Denver; on a tract of land not less than one hundred acres in extent; the Home to be located and ground purchased (unless donated) within three months from the approval of the act. Work to commence on the buildings within six months from the approval of the act. The bill carries an appropriation of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the purposes mentioned, and the improvement of the grounds of said Home."

This is a matter in which the W. R. C. is vitally interested and I would urge upon all members the importance of doing everything in their power to assist in the passage of the bill. Urge your senators and representatives unitedly and individually, by petition, personal letters and other lawful and proper means to favor the measure.

• Leave no stone unturned to secure for the old veterans comfort and independence for their declining years.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Rawlins, Wyo., Sept. 22, 1900.

Special Order No. 2—

The appalling calamity that has befallen our sister state, Texas, is beyond our comprehension. Among the stricken people of Galveston are many who justly claim our protection and our care in this time of dire distress.

Now that the appeal has come to us let us respond in a spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, every Corps contributing as liberally as they feel able. Remember, many comrades and their dependant ones are looking to the Woman's Relief Corps for the assistance we have never failed to render. Clara Barton, the leader of the Red Cross Society, is now at Galveston, and appeals to the Woman's Relief Corps for assistance. She says we have never failed her. Let us say most earnestly "we never will."

NOTE—Let all donations be forwarded by Corps Treasurers without delay to Mrs. Mina Metcalf, Houston, Texas, the same to be receipted for by Mrs. Metcalf to Corps Treasurers, who will then forward receipts to Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, 4148 Gray St., Denver, Colo., so that the Department may get the credit for the amount.

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Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Office of Inspector, 2127 W. 23d Ave., Denver, Colo.,

August 1st, 1900.

Circular Letter No. 1—

1. In accordance with Rules and Regulations, there will be a thorough inspection of all Corps in this Department during the months of September, October and November.

Corps Officers, Attention—Corps will be required to exemplify the work according to the ritual.

2. Corps Presidents will please arrange for special meetings for the work when it may be necessary, as Inspectors will find it impossible to be with all Corps at their regular meetings.

3. Corps Presidents will, on receipt of inspection blank, confer with her Secretary and Treasurer to get the necessary information to answer all questions—making the report from September 1899 to September, 1900—thereby saving the Inspector much time, and assisting the Order to greater accuracy in its work.

4. Secretary's and Treasurer's books will be carefully examined. And as this requires time it will be well to arrange for this part of the work before the meeting.

BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE SECRETARY.

1. See that records are properly kept and all reports and communications are neatly filed.

2. That the attendance of officers and members are kept separately and noted on the margin.

3. That General Orders are read to the Corps and filed.

4. That the stubs of the order book are properly filled out and numbered.

BOOKS OF TREASURER.

1. See that a proper account of receipts and expenditures is kept, and the relief fund is separate from the general fund.

2. That the stubs of the receipt book are filled out and numbered, and that they compare with the entries in the cash book.

3. That a ledger page is assigned to each member, and a correct account kept with them.

4. That all bills are numbered and filed with orders with which they should compare.

5. That a report of the Treasurer is read at each regular meeting and filed with the Secretary.

5. The Department is divided into six districts, to be inspected as follows:

Department Inspector—Nos. 35, 28, 23, 41, 27, 38, 18, 45, 5, 26, 28.

Department President—Nos. 20, 9, 15, 31, 25, 37, 43, 3, 8, 42, 40; 26, 30, 44.

Department Senior Vice-President—Nos. 12, 7, 17, 11, 19.

Department Junior Vice-President—Nos. 39, 4, 29, 10, 35.

Department Secretary—Nos. 24, 1, 14, 21.

Department Treasurer—Nos. 34, 16, 2.

Chairman Department Executive Committee—No. 13.

Subject to any necessary changes.

6. Inspectors will be prepared to give instructions in the floor work, and answer any questions pertaining to the work.

7. Inspection blanks will be forwarded to Corps Presidents by September 1st.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

SARAH E. WALDO,

Approved:

Dept. Inspector.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD, Dept. Pres.

ANNA D. FISHBACK, Dept. Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Office of Patriotic Inspector,

Kiowa, Colorado, Nov. 12, 1900.

Circular Letter No. 2—

Having been appointed Patriotic Instructor, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, I assume the duties cheerfully and with a full realization of the importance of the work.

True patriotism cannot be too well founded in the minds of our young people, and to make the instructions thorough we should begin early. It is my desire to have the united efforts of the various Corps of this Department in this grand and noble work of patriotism.

When Corps are not financially able to furnish the necessities for patriotic teaching, the school boards might, if solicited, furnish a flag, an Independence Chart, Patriotic Primer, etc. The supplies may be obtained through the Corps Treasurer. Where Corps have not taken up this work, we ask in the interest of patriotism, that they do so at once.

Assistant Patriotic Instructors are appointed by the Corps Presidents and in order that all the Corps receive due credit in the report to Department Convention, blanks will be sent to Corps Presidents in ample time to make their reports.

Each question should be answered separately and accurately.

Reports should be made out and forwarded to Department Patriotic Instructor not later than March 10.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

OLIVE A. KILLIN,

Approved:

Dept. Patriotic Instructor.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD, Dept. Pres.

ANNA D. FISHBACK, Dept. Secy.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.—Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Office of Senior Aide and Chief of Staff,

Boulder, Colo., December 10, 1900.

Circular Letter No. 3—

Department Aide, W. R. C.—Having been appointed Senior Aide and Chief of Staff by Minnie E. Kingsford, Department Pres-

ident, it becomes my duty to outline such work as we desire you to do. In Section 12, Article VI, Chapter 3, Rules and Regulations, you will find your duties clearly defined, and what you are required to do, but for fear there may yet be Aides who do not fully understand their duties, or what is expected of them, I will call your attention to that, which I consider will accomplish greatest good for our Order. You are earnestly requested to do all in your power to promote the interest and welfare of your Corps and the harmony of its members.

Be careful to look up the delinquent ones in your Corps; get them back, for it is just as important to retain the old members as to gain new ones. Visit as many Corps in your vicinity as you can. Keep posted in regard to their methods of gaining new members and reinstating old ones. Ascertain if there is any Post in your community without an auxiliary. If so interest the proper persons in having one. Be helpful to the G. A. R. in every way you can in the observance of Memorial Day. Interest the children; have them take part in the exercises, thereby inculcating lessons of patriotism and love of country in perpetuating the memory of our heroic dead.

We have only a short time left to work. Our next Annual Convention to be held in Pueblo convenes April 12th, and my report must be ready by the 20th of March. I hope you will be prompt in sending in your reports. Let us rally to the cause with a purpose, realizing that our appointment means more than empty honors, and, by our willing service, prove that we not only appreciate the honors conferred upon us by our President, but are willing to work for the principles of our noble Order.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

MARY E. ULLMER,

Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

Approved:

ANNA D. FISHBACK,

Dept. Secretary W. R. C.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Dept. President, W. R. C.

Decisions of the Department Conventions.

1. A Roll of Honor is hereby established for all Corps sending reports of both Secretary and Treasurer, with per capita tax enclosed, on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.

2. That rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter), belonging to disbanded Corps, be sold at regular prices.

3. That the President-elect be furnished with a copy of the decisions of Convention within fifteen days after its adjournment.

4. That the rate of representation to Department Convention be one delegate for every twenty members, and one additional delegate for the fraction of more than one-half that number.

5. That the per capita tax be 15 cents per quarter.

6. That all orders for supplies be properly made on requisition blanks with the accompanying money sent made payable by either postoffice or express order, and sent direct to the Department Treasurer.

7. That at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from Corps nearest the Department President, in order to facilitate the auditing of the books and accounts.

8. That the Corps Secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year.

9. That Department Secretary, in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps Secretaries, shall indicate in red ink, on line 15, Form A, "number remaining suspended, last report," which shall not be changed, the same to be a copy of column 16 on consolidated report of previous quarter.

10. That a Red Book be purchased by every Corps in this Department for the use of officers especially; by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.

11. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at headquarters for one year.

12. That a record be kept at headquarters giving the date of organization of Corps and names of charter members; also a record of all disbanded Corps and causes of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.

13. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of same.

14. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in the Roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that the date of organization be added to the Roster.

15. That on election returns sent to the Department Secretary be written the address of the Corps President, Secretary,

Treasurer and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

16. That a General Order containing the addresss of the Department Chaplain be sent to all Corps Chaplains.

17. That the silver pins for National Delegates' badges, ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention, remain the property of the Department and in the custody of the Department Treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge and return the same to the Department Treasurer after the Convention; that the Department President can change the ribbon of the badges at her discretion.

18. That Corps sending for supplies shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies cannot be entered on the books of the Department Treasurer.

19. That it is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial Day for money-making purposes which will desecrate the sacredness of the day.

20. That the Corps of this Department lend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with the Corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30, or upon some other day.

21. That installing officers be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of the Corps officers, typewritten if possible, the names given in full and correctly spelled.

22. That ten per cent. of per capita tax received each quarter be transferred to the Department Relief Fund.

23. That Corps Treasurers in cities give their street and number on quarterly reports.

24. That two copies of General Orders be sent each Corps, one for the President and one for the Secretary.

25. That the Department banner be taken to the Convention Hall at annual meetings.

26. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee, as the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

27. That the election of officers at Department Convention be held on the morning of the second day.

28. That the retiring Department President sent the Journals direct to those entitled to them.

29. That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department the weekly paper known as the National Standard, published in Denver.

30. That the outgoing Department President appoint a committee to prepare a testimonial for the Department President, at the close of her official year, the same to be paid from the General Fund, at a maximum cost not to exceed fifty dollars.

31. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals and give the contract to the lowest reliable bidder.

32. That the Department Press Correspondent be furnished

subscriptions to the papers or periodicals which she is required to supply with news.

33. That the Department President-elect use her influence to have at least one woman, a member of the W. R. C., appointed a member of the Soldiers' Home Commission.

34. That Corps Presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

35. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in the public schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and the Woman's Relief Corps.

36. That, as full and complete reports of all our officers are printed in the Journals, only a summary of the Department Chaplain's, Instituting and Installing Officer's and Inspector's reports be read in Convention.

37. That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

38. That the per capita tax be continued at 15 cents per quarter.

39. That the amount of cash in the Emergency Fund be placed in the Department Relief Fund.

40. That the incoming President use her discretion in making application to one of the leading daily papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions.

41. That Corps Presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

42. That prizes be offered for Patriotic Contests in schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and Woman's Relief Corps.

43. That the Department Secretary send to the Department Press Correspondent monthly all items of interest in connection with Department work.

44. That 500 copies of the Journal be printed, and that the decisions, the By-Laws of the Department, be revised by the retiring Department President, all obsolete matter to be stricken out.

45. That the names of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each administration, with the names of the corresponding officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, from the organization of the W. R. C. in this Department, be printed in the Journal.

46. That, as full and complete reports of all officers are printed in the Journal, only a summary of the Chaplain's, I. and I. Officer's and Inspector's reports be read in Convention.

47. That Mary L. Carr be continued the custodian of the charter records of this Department.

48. That the words, "wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier" should be eliminated from Decision No. 1, passed at the Fourteenth Annual Convention.

49. That hereafter the exemplification of the ritual shall not take place until after the election of officers.

50. That we endorse Past Department President Mary L. Carr for our next National President, and that we use every honorable means for her election at the Eighteenth National

EARLY HISTORY

—OF THE—

Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS, NOW THE
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

Subordinate Corps having been Organized in Colorado as follows: Farragut No. 1, Denver; Upton No. 2, Pueblo; Reno No. 3, Denver; Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs; and Dodd No. 5, Golden. The National President, E. Florence Barker, authorized Mary E. Stimson, then National Junior Vice-President, to call them together for the organization of the Department of the Rocky Mountains W. R. C. This was done in Denver, June 25, 1884. Louise B. Sherman, of Colorado Springs, was elected Chairman of the organizing convention. The following were made officers for the year:

Katie C. Kennedy, President.
Louise B. Sherman, Senior Vice-President.
Olivia Coy, Junior Vice-President.
Caroline L. Parker, Secretary.
Mary E. Stimson, Treasurer.
Lydia Daily, Chaplain.
Helen R. Eldredge, Conductor.
Mary Mason, Guard.

These officers were installed by General Byron L. Carr, Department Commander of the G. A. R.

An earnest resolution was introduced by Mary Jewett Telford, pledging the new organization to work for the establishment of a Soldiers' Home for Colorado, to the end that Union Veterans of the civil war be not allowed to pass their days in almshouses. This was enthusiastically discussed and adopted.

No record is found of there having been Inspector or I. and I. Officer for the first year. Mrs. Stimson soon resigned, and the Council filled the vacancy by the election of Olive Hogle, as

The first public gathering ever held by the Department was a reception at Colorado Springs, October 10, 1881, when Mesdames Kennedy and Sherman, and Messrs. B. L. Carr, Department Commander; Col. T. B. Stuart, F. C. McArthur and E. H. Sawyer gave addresses.

During this year four additional Corps were instituted, viz.: Denver No. 6, Denver; Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff; Garfield No. 8, Leadville, and Manitou No. 9, Manitou. Mary L. Carr, then of Farragut Corps, represented the Department in the National Convention at Minneapolis, Minn., at her own expense.

The Department Convention was held in Assembly Hall of Meade and Kearney Posts, Denver, January 15-17, 1885; Katie C. Kennedy, Department President, in the chair. It was found that the Department now numbered 278 members. Election of officers and appointments resulted as follows:

Katie C. Kennedy, President.
Sarah Hamm, Senior Vice-President.
Mary P. Boyd, Junior Vice-President.
Helen R. Eldredge, Secretary.
Olive Hogle, Treasurer.
America Anderson, Inspector.
Frances E. Klock, I. & I. Officer.
Caroline L. Parker, Chaplain.

The installation was held jointly with the Department Officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, the installing officer being M. J. Telford, then National Corresponding Secretary. Hon. G. G. Symes, of Denver, made the slender treasury of the Department a gift of twenty-five dollars.

The Department of the Grand Army of the Republic changed its name during this encampment to the Department of Colorado.

The second Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado, Woman's Relief Corps, acting in a line with the resolution of the first Convention, authorized a Legislative Committee to place a resolution, in the name of the Order, before the General Assembly then in session, and to work for the early establishment by the State, of a Soldiers' Home. This committee consisted of Mesdames Olive Hogle, Henrietta Mills, Mary E. Monroe, M. C. Berwick and Alice Rand. Their work had the championship of T. B. Stuart, President of the Senate, and a good beginning was made towards the wishes of the loyal women of the State in furnishing bread to living soldiers rather than stone monuments to those who were dead.

Mrs. K. C. Kennedy represented the Department in the National Convention at Portland, Maine. Gunnison Corps at Gunnison, Veteran Corps in Denver, and Grant Corps in Greeley were organized during this year.

The third Annual Convention of the Department was held in Upton Post rooms, Pueblo, on January 25-26, 1886, Mrs. Kennedy presiding. The officers in whose hands were placed the affairs of the Department for the year were:

Mary Jewett Telford, President.
 Sarah E. Streit, Senior Vice-President.
 Charlotte Coe, Junior Vice-President.
 Augusta B. Henderson, Secretary.
 Olive Hogle, Treasurer.
 Mary A. Ingersoll, Chaplain.
 Emily H. Wheeler, Inspector.
 R. A. Sword, I. & I. Officer.
 Katie C. Kennedy, Counselor.

A Department Relief Fund was established at the close of this year, and Helen M. Jeffries made Chairman of the Relief Committee. Corps contributing the first half year were: Farragut, Meade, Veteran and Grant. At request of Department Headquarters, various Corps gave entertainments to defray the expenses of Mary A. Ingersoll, Delegate at Large to the National Convention. The Department was represented at San Francisco by Mrs. Ingersoll and the Department President, the latter meeting her own expenses.

The next Department Convention was held in Denver in February, 1887. Reports and returns were received in good time, and the attendances was from nearly all the Corps. Officers were elected and appointed as follows:

Mary Jewett Telford, President.
 Delle S. Kelsay, Senior Vice-President.
 Mary E. Mann, Junior Vice-President.
 Augusta B. Henderson, Secretary.
 Olive Hogle, Treasurer.
 Charlotte Coe, Chaplain.
 Anna M. Hamilton, Inspector.
 Clementine Hawes, I. & I. Officer.
 Katie C. Kennedy, Counselor.

The officers were installed by National Commander Bowman, in the Chamber of Commerce Hall.

In the summer of 1887 the gift of a cottage, as a temporary Soldiers' Home, was made to Dodd Corps, No. 5, by Captain E. L. Berthoud, as a memorial of his deceased wife, Helen Berthoud. This was used by Dodd Corps, Mrs. Coe being put in charge of it, and was afterwards turned over to the Department, W. R. C., for the same purpose. Many disabled and sick veterans were thus cared for by the Woman's Relief Corps till the opening of the State Home for the same purpose. In his General Orders issued August 17, 1887, General George Ady, Commander of the Department, used these words:

"The Woman's Relief Corps of this Department is worthy of our hearty endorsement. It is carrying on its charities without bluster, but with efficient thoughtfulness. Its consolidated quarterly reports show that during the year ending June 30, 1887, the few Corps in this Department have expended in charity for the worthy Union veteran and his family over thirteen hundred dollars (\$1,300.) Very little of this sum would have found itself in this channel but for the systematic organization of the Relief

Corps. When the comrades learn that this is done without friction, and that the relations of these Corps with the Posts to which they are auxiliary are in every sense harmonious, they will be glad that this is the one authorized auxiliary in our common work of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

During the two years, 1886 and 1887, Corps were organized or re-organized at Breckenridge, Silver Cliff, Grand Junction, Canon City, Aspen, Larimer (the first in Wyoming), Trinidad, Idaho Springs and Glenwood; all without cost to the Department.

In the National Convention of 1887, held at St. Louis, Mo., the Department was for the first time represented by a full delegation, consisting of all officers entitled to such place, and Mesdames Klock and Smedle of Meade Corps No. 6, Denver, who were delegates. The Department paid the entire hotel expenses of the delegation, this being the vote of the Department Council.

Unhappily, the reports, quarterly and annual, of the Department Treasurer for the first four years of the life of this Department, which were turned over to the succeeding administration intact, together with other reports, cannot now be found.

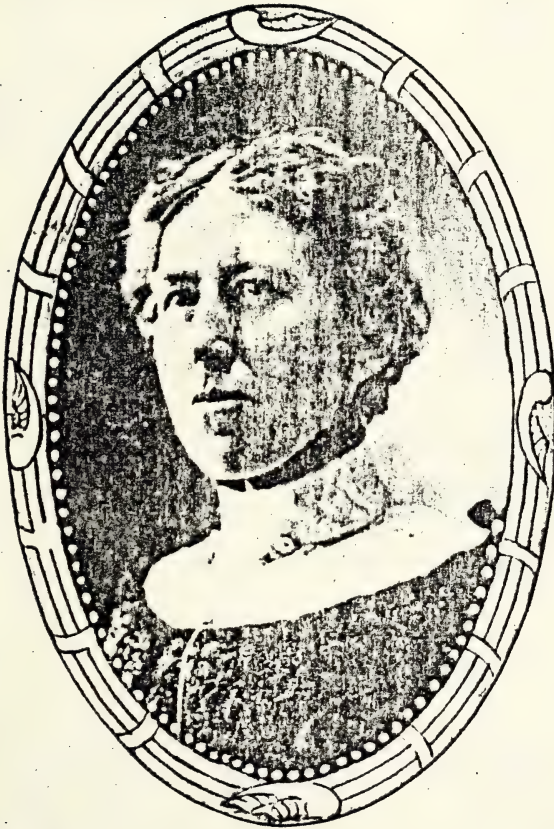
The foregoing may not be complete, but it is exact as far as it goes; being taken from occasional official reports extant and the General Orders of these years. The unpublished record closes with the Department Convention held in Cheyenne, Wyoming (then Department of Colorado and Wyoming), on March 12 and 13, 1888, in which Mrs. Telford was ably helped, in her ill health, by Mrs. Kelsey, Senior Vice-President.

Committee named by the Seventeenth Department Convention to write the early history of the Department, W. R. C.:

MARY JEWETT TELFORD,
OLIVE HOGLE,
KATIE C. KENNEDY,

Committee.





Arabella C. Johnson,
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

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WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

Auxiliary to the

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

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R. A. Cameron Corps,
No. 18..... Fort Morgan, Colo.

ROSTER OF DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

President—*ARABELLA C. JOHNSON, Fort Morgan, Colo.
 S. V. President—*OLIVE A. KILLIN, Kiowa, Colo.
 J. V. President—ANIELA GERTEISON, Mammoth, Colo.
 Secretary—*KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Fort Morgan, Colo.
 Treasurer—IDA CRITCHELL, 1111 Hooker St., Denver, Colo.
 Chaplain—*MADELINE SLOAN, Rocky Ford, Colo.
 Inspector—*SARA B. C. STEPHENSON, 2218 32d Av., Denver, Colo.
 Counselor—MINNIE E. KINGSFORD, Rawlins, Wyoming.
 I. and I. Officer—E. HELEN LUFFIN, Durango, Colo.
 Pat. Ins.—*LAURA E. FARRAR, H. De Graff Bldg., Col. Springs.

MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

*Minnie L. Benson, Denver, Colo.
 †Carrie W. Coggeshall, Denver, Colo.
 *Matilda Hotchkiss, Fort Morgan, Colo.
 Achsah Pray, Manitou, Colo.
 *Sybil E. Watson, Pueblo, Colo.

CHIEF AIDE.

*THERESA A. JENKINS, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS.

Past National President.....*Mary L. Carr
 Past National Secretary.....*Fannie D. W. Hardin

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS.

Catherine C. Kennedy,	Janette L. Todd,
Mary Jewell Telford,	Anna B. Holliday,
America Anderson,	Ella L. C. Dwinell,
Climence G. Howard,	*Fannie D. W. Hardin,
*Mary L. Carr,	*Lucy M. Campbell,
Laura S. Dodge,	*Alice M. Seeds,
	Minnie E. Kingsford,

PAST DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES.

Helen R. Eldridge,	Josephine A. Cheeseman,
Emily R. Cohen,	Olive C. Butler,
Isa E. Crosby,	Marian Sutton,
Sarah E. Calvert,	*Alice M. Seeds,
Lida E. Fitch,	Edna E. Hamilton,
Libbie Kent Daniels,	Hester W. Hartzell,
Stella A. Kyle,	Anna D. Fishback,

PAST DEPARTMENT TREASURERS.

Olive A. Hogle,	Janette L. Todd,	Margelia Hamilton,
*Sadie M. Fisher,	Clara Repp,	

*Members present.

†Elected to take the place of Margarita Kautzman, deceased.

ROSTER OF CORPS.

FARRAGUT, No. 1, Denver.

Corps President—*Alice Ditson.

Past Corps Presidents—Katherine C. Kennedy, *Jennie McGill, Mary A. Condit, Elvina Rill, *Minnie L. Benson, Martissa Hinsdale, *Annie Benton, Milred McKinsey, *Rosetta Fairchild, Fannie Lang, Adelia McCauley, Hester W. Hartsell.

Delegates—Alice Johnstone, Lida Bateman, *Mary Neeley.

Alternates—Emma Campbell, Sarah McLane, Almira Allen.

UPTON, No. 2, Pueblo.

Corps President—*Hattie Springer.

Past Corps Presidents—Mina Sanford, Anna Rickabaugh, Carrie V. Donaldson, Ella Weppner, Carrie Brisack, *Bessie W. French, *Lucinda Smith, Mary A. Reece, Julia R. Upson, Lurenda Hubbard, *Sybil E. Watson.

Delegates—*Lillian Inman, E. Dodds, M. Etie Timmis.

Alternates—Miss Nellie Foster, *Mrs. Tillie Watkins, Miss Sarah A. Tucker.

SEDGWICK, No. 3, Durango.

Corps President—Alice H. Dudley.

Past Corps Presidents—Lizzie N. Hanson, Anna M. Hammond, E. Helen Tiffany.

Delegate—Lizzie N. Hansen.

Alternate—Alice H. Dudley.

Senior Vice President—*Frances Biggs.

COLORADO SPRINGS, No. 4, Colorado Springs.

President—*Laura E. Farrar.

Past Corps Presidents—Lucy Wheeler, Laura E. Farrar, Ella L. C. Dwinell, Ellen Walbrook, Fredericka Langmeyer, *Lida Elliser, Jennie Dunning, Loretta Mummah, Emma B. Ormsey.

Delegates—*Hattie S. Allen, *Cora B. Sawyer, *Agnes M. Yeats, *Lettie Capell, Flora M. Pixley, *Margaret Klepper, Gertrude Dayton.

Alternates—Anna Price, Nannie Largent, Sadie Ingersoll, Sadie M. Clark, Mary Gortner, Altrie Vest, Mary Lewis.

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T. H. BODD, No. 5, Golden.

President—Rose Jasper.

Past Corps Presidents—Charlotte Coe, Mary A. Eldridge, Eliza Peters, Eile Tripp, Anna Luman.

Delegates—*Mattie Stewart, *Lulu Devalon.

Alternates—Elvira Hartley, Addie Purrington.

GEO. G. MEAD, No. 6, Denver.

Corps President—Louisa Platt.

Past Corps Presidents—Frances Klock, Mary L. K. Daniels, Stella Newman, *Fannie D. Hardin, A. M. Miller, American Anderson, Frances Kirkpatrick, Sara J. Kimmions, Nancy M. Cowell, Anna M. Babbitt, Margaret Hutchinson, Mary N. Thatcher, Mary Parfet, Mary E. Krummie, Selma Grebe, Mary E. Godfrey, Parthenian McBeth, Augusta King.

Delegates—Lydie Wilson, *Fannie Ames, Martha Evans, Ella Byres.

Alternates—Ella M. Lissley, Agnes Burt, Martha Martin, Zoss Hill.

MYRON W. REED, No. 7, Rifle.

Corps President—Mary M. Wurst.

Past Corps Presidents—Nettie Marker, Ray Dymenberg.

Delegates—None.

Alternates—None.

JAS. A. GARFIELD, No. 8, Leadville.

Corps President—Anna Amberson.

Past Corps Presidents—Susie J. Searl, Maria Wolcott, Nettie Harker, Hattie Bunn, Jennie Paddock, Etta Brodie, Kate McCarty, Henrietta Greenlaw, Maggie Telfer.

Delegates—Anna Jones, *Angie Johnson, Laura Cardor.

Alternates—Ethel Ward, Bell Bawson, Maud Williams.

J. F. REYNOLDS, No. 9, Cheyenne.

Corps President—*Minnie Haas.

Past Corps Presidents—*Hattie E. Cowhick, *Therese A. Jenkins, Mary Hader, *Sadie Fisher, Bertha Myers, *Kate McCabe, Lena Buechner, Louisa O. Artist.

Delegates—*Annie Olienhaus, *Christiana Smith, *Mary A. Patterson.

Alternates—Jennie A. Dietrick, Jennie A. Knight, Kate E. Holloway.

NORTH FORK, No. 11, Hotchkiss.

Corps President—Minerva Lewis.

Past Corps Presidents—Mary A. Miller, *Alice Galliher.

Delegate—Alice Galliher.

Alternate—Mary A. Miller.

GUNNISON, No. 12, Gunnison.

Corps President—*Laura E. Miller.

Past Corps Presidents—Jessie S. Purrier, Nellie M. Crump, Sarah E. Williams, Fannie Bray Whipp, Jemima E. Marsh, Alma Wegener, Amanda Unruh, Laura E. Miller.

Delegates—Mary Mueller, Ella M. Zugelder.

Alternates—*Celia Mullen, Josephine Hagan.

CASPER W. COLLINS, No. 13, Rawlins.

Corps President—Agnes Jordon.

Past Corps Presidents—*M. L. Jennings, Minnie E. Kingsford, O. Louisa Donnel.

Delegates—M. L. Jennings, Mattie Alphin.

Alternates—Mrs. George Perry, Annie Reid.

VETERAN, No. 14, Denver.

Corps President—*Sarah Predmore.

Past Corps Presidents—Emma Johnson, Persis French, Edith Newland, Angie Grove, Susie Waters, Lucy Langdell, Janette L. Todd, Emily Cohen, Olive Butler, Sallie Essington, Dorcas Hassen, Edna Perry, Anna R. McIlvain.

Delegates—Maggie Johnson, Mary E. West, Clara Mahoney, Mary Spray.

Alternates—Ella Hawley, Elizabeth Clark, Jennie O'Neal, Georgia Bunn.

U. S. GRANT, No. 15, Greeley.

Corps President—*Annie B. Sanborn.

Past Corps Presidents—*Emily H. Jones, Sarah A. Hogarty, Climena Howard, Jennie G. Harper, Lucy J. Dresser, Kate E. Hanna, Clementine S. Hawes, Esther H. Randolph, Elizabeth R. Clark, Nettie M. Lucas.

Delegates—Eliza Francisco, Emma Deetham.

Alternates—Fanny Oney, Lottie A. Camfield.

WADSWORTH, No. 16, Rocky Ford.

Corps President—*Emma A. Godding.

Past Corps Presidents—*Mary Gutherie, *Flora Hall, *Annie Burr, *Mrs. Fennelson, *Mrs. Price, *Ida L. Hickox.

Delegates—*Florence Jordan, *Mrs. Wykoff.

Alternates—Mrs. Jarvis, Mrs. Morris.

GRAND JUNCTION, No. 17, Grand Junction.

Corps President—Ella B. Ackerman.

Past Corps Presidents—Ella B. Ackerman, Adelia Ditman, Ida Fallis, Amy Young, Elizabeth Bartlett, Hettie E. Rundell, Sarah Oldham, Margaret Hoover.

Delegates—Mollie Calkins, Ella Aikens.

Alternates—Kate Shott, Violet Faret.

R. A. CAMERON, No. 18, Fort Morgan.

Corps President—*Matilda Hotchkiss.

Past Corps Presidents—*Hattie Otis, *Clara Gilbertson, Estelle Robinson, *Matilda Hotchkiss, *Arabella Johnson, *Kate Clatworthy.

Delegates—*Maud Y. Gay, M. E. Wilson.

Alternates—*Lulu Y. Terrell, Bernice Blakesley.

WINFIELD SCOTT, No. 19, Aspen.

Corps President—Hattie Hartshorn.

Past Corps Presidents—Gwendolin Powell, Olive M. Bacon, Anna McKnight, Mary E. Nevins.

Delegates—Viola Gallagher, Joanna Bochler, Addie Fitzgerald.

Alternates—Lenora Healey, Mary E. Nevins, Ida Hermann.

CUSTER, No. 20, Laramie.

Corps President—*S. J. Miller.

Past Corps Presidents—Lida E. Fitch, Anna Holladay, Adda Ulen, Oliva Peale, Mary E. Ingersoll, Anna Woodward, Phoebe Gearhart, Maria Baillie, Mary A. Kinnear, Lizzie Reals, S. E. Gardinier.

Delegates—S. J. Miller, S. E. Gardinier.

Alternates—*Kittie Appleman, Annie Sennet.

RENO, No. 21, Denver.

Corps President—Lucy M. Capron.

Past Corps Presidents—*Ida Critchell, Lucy M. Capron, Minnie M. Macarey, Mary E. Mayo, Olive Hogle, Mina Rische.

Delegates—Theresa Mathews, Annie Hunt, Annie Benson.

Alternates—Florence Wilmot, Ida Roush, Nettie Lutz.

MULLIGAN, No. 22, Springfield.

Corps President—Mary E. Robertson.

Past Corps President—Mary E. Robertson.

Delegate—*Josie Smart.

Alternate—*Norvelia Van Orsdol.

J. W. ANDERSON, No. 23, Cripple Creek.

Corps President—*Belle Opp.

Past Corps Presidents—Alice T. Smith, *Alice M. Seeds, *Annie Liemberger, Stella A. Kyle, Mattie J. McDonald, Mary Youngson, Alice A. Hatfield.

Delegates—Mary A. Dolan, *Christinia Friedhoff, Laura Gipson, *Mattie Stansbury, *Margaret Stevison.

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Alternates—*Georgia Williams, Louise Jaureyson, Jennie Davidson, Alice McHenry, Elizabeth Barlow.

W. T. SHERMAN, No. 21, Evans.

Corps President—Miss Grace Carson.

Past Corps Presidents—*L. C. Young, L. A. Harriott, Nellie Flint, Jessie Laughlin, Miss Gertrude Flint, Eliza Rickard.

Delegate—Miss Lulu Brubaker.

Alternate—Mrs. Kate Willis.

PFEIFFER, No. 25, Alamosa.

Corps President—Sadie L. Cole.

Past Corps Presidents—Amelia Gertlesen, Sadie Simons.

Delegate—*Anna C. Smith.

Alternate—Edna Thomas.

GEO. H. THOMAS, No. 23, Fort Collins.

Corps President—Ann M. St. Clair.

Past Corps Presidents—Olivia L. Mandeville, Ethora Baker, Ida E. Seckner, *Sara B. Stephenson, Ella Walsh, Mary Wiedman, Irene McLaue, Isabel Woods, Hannah King, Eva Nye.

Delegates—Lucinda Miller, Hannah Moore, *Sarah Davis.

Alternates—Miss Minnie McLain, Elizabeth Roullard, Theodosa Van Brunt.

NATHANIEL LYON, No. 27, Boulder.

Corps President—Delia Mulford.

Past Corps Presidents—M. Berwick Anderson, Laura Dodge, *Emma D. Adams, Isa E. Crosby, Catherine O'Brien, Marion Sutton, Virginia M. Feeney, Clara S. Whitney, Mary E. Ulmer, *Irene B. Cowie, Marcie Luce, Eliza J. Norton, *Sarah A. Rosier.

Delegates—*Fannie Rathburn, Sarah Ingersoll, Mattie Bernard, Jeannie Safely, Annie Adams.

Alternates—*Flora Sipple, Mary Patterson, Laura Tater, Mary McGovern, Annie Larson.

ELLSWORTH, No. 28, Central City.

Corps President—Mrs. Kate McCullough.

Past Corps Presidents—Pauline Ashbaugh, Elizabeth Quigley, Ida M. Johnson, Carrie F. Ashbaugh.

Delegates—*Clara Lundquist, *Hattie Lewis.

Alternates—Lucinda Fullerton, Melita Lewis.

ELBERT, No. 29, Elbert.

Corps President—Lucy L. Whiting.

Past Corps Presidents—*Olive A. Killin, L. J. Fahrion,
Louisa Parkhurst.

Delegates—Jennie L. Gleason, *Georgie Hall.

Alternates—*Bacia Grebe, Emma Phillips.

JIM BOWIE, No. 30, Amethyst.

Corps President—*Nellie McCall.

Past Corps Presidents—Jennie Woodruff, Lottie Dar-
ling.

Delegate—Sadie Spangler.

Alternate—Irene Nash.

A. J. SMITH, No. 31, Florence.

Corps President—Ida Belle Higgins.

Past Corps Presidents—Ella Wayne, Anna Hurst, Helen
Edwards.

Delegate—Jennette Brainard.

Alternate—Lucy Kimmell.

McPHERSON, No. 32, Longmont.

Corps President—*Christena Hollister.

Past Corps Presidents—*Mary L. Carr, Effie G. Coffin,
Emily F. Beckwith, Belle Abbott, Sarah Richart, Mary Se-
bern, Elizabeth Williams, Azubah Messenger, *Susie Carr
McGuire.

Delegates—*May Flansburg, *Harriet Longfellow, *Jes-
sie Bashour.

Alternates—Lela Smith, Belle C. Minor, Ormenia Doug-
lass.

KILPATRICK, No. 34, La Junta.

Corps President—*Sarah Chambers.

Past Corps President—Sarah Miller, *Jennie Ferrell,
*Kate Jones, *Sara Decker.

MAJOR ANDERSON, No. 35, Arvada.

Corps President—Mary P. Smith.

Past Corps Presidents—Clara W. Greene, Mary R. John-
son, Amanda E. Graham, Emma J. Mellette, Mary P. Berk-
shire.

Delegate—Chattie Hurlburt.

Alternate—Minnie R. Smith.

E. M. STANTON, No. 37, Salida.

Corps President—Ella Cobleigh.

Past Corps Presidents—Margaret Delo, *Delia F. Buell,
Anna Ten Broeck, Anna Amberson.

Delegate—Delia F. Buell.

Alternate—Louise Buchholdtz.

A. E. BURNSIDE, No. 38, Loveland.

Corps President—Ella Davison.

Past Corps Presidents—Ella Davison, Nancy Krouskoff.

Delegate—Ella Falkner.

Alternates—Annie Gunell.

PIKE'S PEAK, No. 39, Manitou.

Corps President—Lou Baker.

Past Corps Presidents—Katie Satubick, Mary Boughton,
Malania Lowther, Alice Barney, Irene Hoffman.

Delegate—*Minnie Dake.

Alternate—Nellie Porter.

M. M. CROCKER, No. 40, Denver.

Corps President—*Minnie Gould.

Past Corps Presidents—*Lucy M. Campbell, Eliza F. Le-
Fever, Alice A. Easton, Eleanor Brown, Sarah E. Waldo, Char-
lotte Moore.

Delegates—*Mary A. Clark, *Minnie Bond, Emma Bailey.

Alternates—Pauline Fredricks, Lizzie Jones, Ella R.
Bruce.

VICTOR, No. 41, Victor.

Corps President—Grace J. Kirk.

Past Corps Presidents—Camilla Maulsby, Hannah John-
son, Margaret Appel, Annie B. McGee.

Delegates—None.

Alternates—None.

GEO. WASHINGTON, No. 42, Denver.

Corps President—Helen B. Clark.

Past Corps Presidents—Carrie Russell, Debra Moser,
Margaretta Kauffmann, Mariam Clark, Mary E. Doum, Car-
rie W. Cogshall.

Delegates—Lida Thoeman, Millicent Miner.

Alternates—Emma Dennis, Mrs. G. Barclay.

JOE HOOKER, No. 43, Monte Vista.

Corps President—Lizzie B. Sylvester.

Past Corps Presidents—Eliza Sickles, Effie B. Aldrich,
Belle Packard, Lizzie B. Sylvester, Alice B. Cheney.

Delegates—Martha Nelson, Lillas Bishop.

Alternates—Mary Farrar, Lida Strawn.

PHIL SHERIDAN, No. 44, Buena Vista.

Corps President—Wilhelmina Newcomb.

J. C. FREMONT, No. 45, Littleton.

Corps President—Dora Horton.

Past Corps Presidents—Anna Beckwith, Carrie Rogers,
Mary E. Cozens, Inez B. Hill, Jennie Chapman, Ida Eagleton,
Jennie Misner, Margaret Mitchell, Dora Horton.

Delegate—Inez B. Hill.

Alternates—Margaret Mitchell.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS
Department of Colorado and Wyoming

MINUTES OF DEPARTMENT CONVENTION.

THE Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming met in Knights of Pythias Hall, Rocky Ford, Colo., at 9 o'clock A. M., June 11, 1902, and was called to order by Department President, Arabella C. Johnson.

Department Chaplain, Madaline Sloan opened the Convention by leading in the Lord's prayer.

Motion by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Critchell, that an open session be held until after the reading of the President's address. Carried.

The following Convention appointments were made by the President:

Assistant Secretary, S. B. C. Stephenson, of No. 23.

Conductor, Ruth Dana, of No. 4.

Assistant Conductor, Carrie Price of No. 16.

Color Bearers, Hattie Otis, Clara Gilbertson, Lulu Terrell, Maud Gay, all of No. 18, Fort Morgan.

Pianist, Mattie L. Baker, of No. 18.

Convention Aides—Chief Aide Ida Hickox No. 16, Agnes Yeates No. 4, Emma Godding No. 16, Lydia Young No. 21, Mattie Best No. 16, Alice Wright No. 16.

Guard, Mrs. Maxwell, No. 16.

Assistant Guard, Mrs. Holmes, No. 16.

Credential Committee—Kate M. Clatworthy No. 18, Sara B. C. Stephenson No. 23, Susie Carr McGwire No. 32.

Courtesies and Telegrams—Mary L. Carr No. 32, Alice M. Seeds No. 23, Matilda Hotchkiss No. 18.

Press Committee—Olive A. Killin No. 29, Madaline Sloan No. 16.

Resolutions—Emily H. Jones No. 15, Minnie L. Benson No. 1, Irene Cowie No. 27.

Mrs. Madeline Sloan of No. 16 was then introduced and delivered the address of welcome.

Address of Welcome by Department Chaplain.

MRS. MADELINE SLOAN

1902.

Mrs. President, Officers and Ladies of the Convention:

It is with great pleasure that I extend to you the hospitality of our city. In the name of our Mayor and loyal citizens and especially of Wadsworth Relief Corps, and the Grand Army of the Republic, we give you a most hearty welcome. We open our hearts and homes to you; all that we have is yours.

We sincerely hope that your stay with us may be most enjoyable, for our city has put on her most beautiful attire, has robed herself in verdure green and garlands of flowers in your honor. The lovely days of June are here, "And what is so rare as a day in June." All things conspire for your pleasure, in order to facilitate your labors during this meeting of the 18th Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

The order to which we belong is a noble one, and the outgrowth of the gratitude of the loyal women of the country, and their desire to extend the hand of sympathy and help to the men who fought for the saving of the Union. They have ever since held dear to their hearts the interests and welfare of the old soldiers, for as time passes,

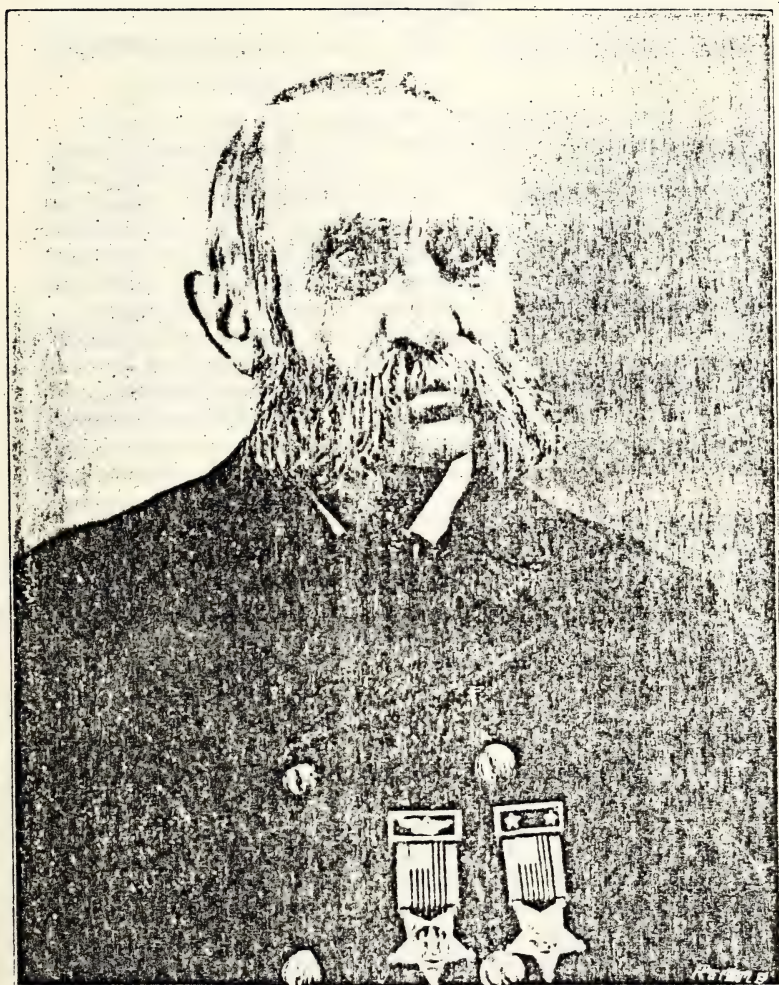
"The days hold less of gladness,
The nights more weight of sadness,"

for the remnant of that great army who braved hardship and death, that we may enjoy this land of freedom and peace.

We have only a few more years in which to care for them, as the ranks are thinning fast. It is estimated that one more decade will end our labors. Let us then strew the path of these heroes with the blossoms of love and kindness, thus showing our loyalty to them and the beautiful emblem of our country that they saved.

"Oh beautiful flag so pure and white,
Thy radiant stars are life and light,
The flag of our Union bright and fair,
That waves in triumph every where."

The response to the address of welcome was made by Mrs. Therese A. Jenkins of J. F. Reynold's Corps, No. 9, of Cheyenne.



Simon E. Sherman

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

RESPONSE.

*Mrs. President, Members of the Woman's Relief Corps,
and Friends:*

It gives me great pleasure to thank this sister and through her the citizens of Rocky Ford for this royal welcome that we see in evidence everywhere, and which finds expression in the graceful tribute, to which we have just listened, and as we know these words of welcome include first the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, we also wish in their name to express our gratitude.

When the war began, that made the "Grand Army of the Republic" necessary, neither Colorado or Rocky Ford were known, and they had no part or parcel in that awful tragedy. Today, gathered within the borders of this state, and in this loyal little city, are several hundreds of these brave men—not one who counts Colorado his native state—and yet as its adopted sons you have welcomed them with your pleasant words and sunny smiles.

We, as the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, hope that our visit will be one of pleasure to you and profit to ourselves, and the acquaintances here begun, will be of lasting benefit to us all.

Years pass by on wings of "Time" and the Eighteenth Annual Convention finds us gathered, to labor in love for the welfare of the veteran.

We miss many familiar faces and find many new ones. The older women are dropping out and the younger women are taking their places; taking up the work that has been begun, and we can count in the ranks of the Woman's Relief Corps many Colorado born women.

Let them come in. Eighteen years more and the annual encampment will number but few who wore the "blue", but in the Woman's Relief Corps the rank and file must be the young women—young in enthusiasm young in strength, and imbued with patriotism, and those of us who have listened to the welcome extended here today, knew that in these ranks and marching shoulder to shoulder will be the daughters and granddaughters of these women of Rocky Ford, these women who have with patriotic zeal and strength of purpose made this convention possible.

We are glad to come and thank you in the name of our beloved president, Arabella C. Johnson, our loyal officers and the membership of forty-two corps, for the comfort-

you have provided, the enthusiasm you have manifested and the kind words you have uttered.

"There is nothing so kingly as kindness,
There is nothing so loyal as love."

Let every member present help to make this Convention one of profit and progress.

Let every effort be put forth to advance the work in the best possible manner.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty work on and up to higher motives and steadier purposes and, as an expression of our appreciation of these women and their work for us, pledge anew our allegiance to God and our country One Country, One Language and One Flag.

Department Senior Vice President Olive A. Killen was then called to the Chair and the President read her address.

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

Officers and Members of the Eighteenth Department Convention:

Fourteen months have passed since we were elected to fill the honorable position of Department President. We come before you today to review the result. Not many of us are permitted to climb to the high places sighted in the earlier days of the work, but as the mirage in the desert strengthens the courage and fills the heart of the weary traveler with hope, so this objective point calls the attention away from the cares and anxieties of the position, and make the year at its close an eventful and not unpleasing memory.

THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

The difficulties which arise in a department where corps are so widely scattered, form a barrier to district organization, being a school of instruction in which members become familiar with the work of the Ritual. Departments more thickly populated find this method much more satisfactory than a yearly inspection. The work has been carried forward with a view to district organization as soon as practicable, knowing that more complete and satisfactory work can be accomplished in that manner. The reports of each officer will show the interest taken in the work, each one, hoping to build up the department, has served faithfully and well.

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

The desire for an energetic, active membership, more than the actual increase in numbers has led the attention of the administration to be given to the bettering of the condition of the Corps in the Department, which shows a steady increase.

An effort to enlist other women in the great cause in which we labor has led to many inquiries in regard to organization which as yet have borne no fruit, no Corps having been organized this year, although the Instituting and Installing officer has been untiring in her work.

Several Posts have requested that efforts be made to

give them an Auxiliary, which has been complied with, but the multiplicity of Women's Clubs forms a barrier in many places.

I therefore make recommendation No. 1:

THAT the representation to the Department Convention remain the same—one delegate for every twenty members, and one delegate for every major portion of that number.

DISBANDED CORPS.

Byron L. Carr No. 10, of Fondis, Colo., had voted to send in their Charter May 20, before the opening of the present year, and this they accordingly did—six members taking transfer cards. Some of these have been deposited with the Elbert County Corps.

The Charter and supplies were duly forwarded to Headquarters.

FINANCE.

An effort has been made during the year to accomplish the most good possible with the money in hand. The question has been studied diligently. No extravagance has been indulged, but the demands made on the Treasury have at times been more than the supply. Having the expense of almost six quarters with the income of four, has kept the funds at a low mark most of the year.

I therefore recommend, No. 2:

THAT the per capita tax remain the same as formerly—15 cents per member, per quarter.

THE WORK OF RELIEF.

The work of relief has gone steadily forward.

Corps have been ever ready to lighten the burdens of the soldier and his Dependent Ones.

Easter greetings were carried to many homes, made happier by their coming.

Four thousand, ninety-two dollars and ninety six cents in relief has been furnished, to the end of the quarter, March 31st, beside many deeds of kindness shown to burdened hearts. One hundred dollars of this was dispensed by the Department Relief Committee.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The sacred influences of the day set apart in which we commemorate the sacrifice made for us by those of our countrymen who "have entered the valley of perpetual dream," is being felt throughout the land.

The children being trained in the observance of it, remember the men who gave for them and theirs all they possessed, and in the remembering have a desire to emulate them.

The love for the FLAG and the desire to hand it down unsullied to coming generations, is the lesson learned in paying our tribute of love to our Country's Defenders.

IN MEMORIAM.

We want to pause at this point and pay loving tribute to one who, for the first three quarters of the year stood by us shoulder to shoulder. As Chairman of the Executive board and also of the Auditing Committee, MARGARITTA KAUFFMAN was ever ready with help and advice, doing all she could to further the interests of the order. Staunch and true, she will be missed in our deliberations.

TWENTY EIGHT members have passed beyond during the year, leaving broken ranks and sad hearts; may the memory of their labor of love remain with us.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

As we gathered in our Eighteenth National Convention in September, the Nation stood with bated breath, watching their Leader die.

The Convention throughout was marked by sadness, and a quietness also pervaded the ranks of the G. A. R.

For a short time the veil was lifted and all hoped for the best, receptions were enjoyed, friend greeted friend with sunny face and cheery word. Word passed that the President would live. But all too soon the tale was told, and the Head of the Nation lay dead by the hand of the assassin.

The official train was met a few miles from Denver on the Rock Island R. R., upon which, by the courtesy of the Department Commander, provision had been made for the W. R. C. Every delegate, four Past Presidents, the Senior Vice President, the Treasurer and the President were voting members of the Convention, while two National Aides and others were in attendance. The Convention being presided over by a member of the Department, gave Colorado and Wyoming an interest never before felt, and the efficiency of those officers gave pleasure to all in attendance.

On Wednesday evening, September 11, the reception in honor of our National President Mary L. Carr and National Secretary Fannie D. W. Hardin was held at headquarters.

At that time the souvenir spoons furnished by the Corps were presented to the National President by Department Commander Sherman, and also a silver chateleine bag, from the Department to the National Secretary.

The Department President presented the National President with a token from the Department, also a token to the National Secretary from her own Corps, Mead No 6 of Denver.

The trip was a memorial one. Thousands left Cleveland for Buffalo, and there reviewed the remains of the late President of the United States, and later with bowed heads awaited the laying away of all that remained to the Nation of him whom they so much loved.

Then the mighty wave came back, the hush was lost in the rush of business—a new man took the helm, the Nation had ridden the storm, the danger was past.

GRAND ARMY.

We wish to acknowledge the loyalty of the G. A. R. for its Auxiliary. A unity of interest and feeling has cemented the ties into closer friendship. Nothing but the utmost harmony has prevailed and many kindly deeds bear record to the care of that noble order for its off-spring.

SONS OF VETERANS.

Ready to stand guard over the interests of their fathers, ready to take up the banner as it falls from tremulous hands, and bear it gallantly forward, "worthy sons of worth sires," all honor to the Sons of Veterans.

We are glad to note the success of their National Memorial University at Mason City, Iowa.

LADIES AID SOCIETY.

To the Ladies Aid Society, also to every organization for the carrying forward of the great work, we extend our hand in cordial welcome. May the Auxiliary of the S. of V. have great success in its work.

THE DEPARTMENT FLAG.

In accordance with the action taken in the Seventeenth Department Convention, a flag for the use of Department Headquarters was purchased and flung to the breeze.

One of the first occasions of its use was to drape the casket of an old Regular Army Officer and G. A. R. man, who for twenty-seven years served his country faithfully.

SOLDIER'S HOMES.

A visit was made to the Soldier's Home in Monte Vista, in company with the President of Joe Hooker Corps and her husband, also other members of Corps B. We found the occupants comfortably cared for, well supplied with reading matter, and but for the absence of woman's care, enjoying their home. The need of a hospital and an assembly room was manifest. Arrangements have been made, however, for the erection of necessary buildings immediately, after which the assembly room now used will be remodelled into apartments where wives of soldiers may be cared for with their husbands. This much needed improvement will be hailed with delight by all members of the W. R. C., and steps will be taken to supply the necessary furniture when ready for occupancy. A request that the Corps throughout the Department be asked to aid in the erection of a stone archway at the entrance to the cemetery at the Soldier's home, was not considered favorably on account of the necessity for building accommodations for wives of soldiers who are residents there.

In consultation with some of the Commissioners of the Home it was learned that less than one dozen men out of the resident number had wives who would probably reside at the Home, making the apartments being provided sufficient and a move in the right direction.

Accompanied by the Department Commander we visited the Soldier's Home, in Cheyenne, where we found the home an ideal one for the accommodation of a small number.

We partook of a bountiful dinner with the Old Soldiers, after which the State House was visited and the Governor interviewed. A visit to Fort Russell, a meeting of J. F. Reynolds Corps and a reception in the evening, closed an eventful day.

Many courtesies were received at both Homes, which are remembered and hereby acknowledged.

INSPECTION.

A thorough inspection was given each Corps in the Department, during the months of September, October and November, the Department Inspector kindly giving way for the President to visit many of the Corps officially at the time of the inspection, for which she has our thanks.

The good accomplished by a visit from the Department President to an isolated Corps where the work has never been witnessed except on their own floor, and instruction

never having been given excepting by the officer appointed to inspect them, and that officer being oftentimes the most available one financially, leads me to make the following recommendation.

No. 3. That one of the specific duties of the Department President be a visit paid each Corps, at least once in each year, if possible outside of regular inspection.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Every Corps in the Department has been visited by the President, except Mulligan No. 22 of Springfield, Colorado. We were not daunted by the long stage ride necessary to reach this Corps, nor were we careless about visiting them. But, a request from 22 that we send inspection blank instead, for seemingly good reasons, kept us away at that time, and lack of funds has done so later.

A tour of the south and west was made, taking in twenty Corps, traveling by night and by day, fifty miles by hack, and forty miles by freight train, continuous and tiresome, but delightful and refreshing both in the beautiful weather encountered and the loving receptions tendered by the Corps visited. The trip among the Corps of Wyoming was a constant pleasure. Loyal to the cause and their officers, they are not outdone in hospitality, nor in their efforts to stand first among the Corps of the Department.

Many side trips were made, taking in one, two or three Corps at one time.

Uniform kindness has been shown throughout the department. Many special invitations have been received, a number have been accepted which included also the staff officers.

Thanks are tendered each and every member who so kindly added to the enjoyment and profit of these occasions. Friendships have thus been formed which will never die.

4,721 miles of travel make up the year's work, outside the trip to the National Convention, which shows the extent of territory covered by this small Department.

COMMITTEES.

At the request of one of the Past Department Presidents, a committee composed of all Past Department Presidents was appointed to act with the Citizen's Committee of Denver, in receiving the President of the United States in his visit to Denver, in June 1901. Unforeseen circumstances prevented the visit and the Committee was not needed.

By vote of the Council, a Committee of two Past Depart-

ment Presidents, Lucy M. Campbell of Crocker No 40 and Laura S. Dodge of Nathaniel Lyon 27, was appointed to correct the irregularities connected with the Department records, which work was performed to the satisfaction of the Council.

Ida Critchell, Department Treasurer, was appointed Committee on literature for Soldiers and Sailor's Home, which duty has been creditably performed.

Fannie D. W. Hardin, of Mead, No 6, and Lucy M. Campbell, of Crocker, No 40, were appointed to destroy all obsolete matter connected with the Treasurer's office, and performed the duty.

OFFICIAL DECISION.

Many points of W. R. C. law have been called in question, especially since the elimination of the Red Book.

Having no manual of duties of officers has worked confusion in some Corps. Decisions have in most cases been covered by Rules and Regulations.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The work of caring for the official correspondence has, at times, been almost overwhelming. But no letter has ever remained unanswered intentionally, and to those who have received no response to questions asked or information desired, this only plea is given in extenuation.

Eight General Orders, two Memorial Orders, two Circular letters and one Department Roster have been issued during the year.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.

The work of teaching patriotism has been carried forward with zeal and energy by the Department Patriotic Instructor. A slowness in sending reports of work done by her assistants hampered the work in many instances, but we are glad to note a growing interest in the work throughout this department as well as the larger departments.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

It is with a great deal of pleasure we acknowledge courtesies received from Mrs. Mary L. Carr, P. N. P., who occupied the highest office in the order during the earlier part of the administration. Ever ready to elucidate or instruct, difficulties vanished under her clear gaze.

L. M. F. Carr, P. N. P., has been elected to the position of P. N. P. for the year 1911-1912.

To the Department Commander L. E. Sherman, we wish to offer our thanks for his readiness to aid in every undertaking. Also his Assistant Adjutant General, Quartermaster and all officers and members of G. A. R. who have shown uniform courtesy.

Able have we been supported by our Secretary and Treasurer, and to our Staff Officers we will ever feel grateful for their courtesy and help.

To the B. & M. and U. P. R. R's, who by their favors have made it possible for us to look after the interests of the Department more than we otherwise could have done, and also other Colorado Terminal lines, we return thanks. We appreciate the uniform kindness extended by many and hereby acknowledge it.

CONCLUSION.

Loyally have our officers stood by us, and if there be any merit in the administration, to them be the credit.

"The day is done, and the darkness,
Falls from the wings of night,
As a feather is wafted downward
From an eagle in its flight.
And the night shall be filled with music,
And the cares that infest the day,
Shall fold their tents like Arabs,
And as silently steal away."

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The address was referred to the proper committee.

Past National President Mary L. Carr was introduced and received the Convention salute, as did the Past National Secretary, Fannie D. W. Hardin. Past Department Presidents, Lucy M. Campbell and Alice M. Seeds, were introduced and saluted.

The President then introduced the Department officers to the Convention, who were saluted.

In the absence of National President Calista Robinson Jones, Mary L. Carr extended her greetings to the convention.

The President declared the open session closed.

The password was taken by the conductors who found all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The President then declared the Eighteenth Convention open for any business that may properly come before it.

Roll-call of officers showed all present except Amelia Gerteison, Junior Vice President; Minnie E. Kingsford, Counsellor; E. Helen Tiffany, I. and I. Officer, and Carrie Coggs shall and Achsah Prey of the Executive Board.



Kate M. Clatworthy,

DEPARTMENT SECRETARY.

The credential committee reported 16 present and past National and Department officers present, 88 other delegates.

Reports of Senior Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer were re-read and each referred to its respective committee.

Report of Senior Vice President.

OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT,

KIOWA, COLO., May 20, 1902.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MADAM—I have the honor to submit the following report I express my tribute of admiration and respect to our Department President, whose efforts have wrought such great success for the noble organization which we serve.

Officially I have but very little to report. I claim but a very small part in connection with the grand results of the year's work. But I have ever held myself in readiness to respond to every call and have regretted that there was not more for me to do,

I made an official visit to Byron L. Carr Corps No. 10, inspected five corps during the year, and officiated at the Installation of the officers of my own Corps.

I have enjoyed my correspondence with members throughout the Department, also my visits to various corps, and my trip to the National Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, I shall always remember as one of the most pleasant experiences of my life.

My sincere thanks are due the Department President for General Orders, for her kind letters and for many other courtesies.

To all of my associate officers I express my appreciation of the courtesies extended and hope the friendships thus formed may be lasting and of mutual benefit.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

OLIVE A. KILLIN,

Department Senior Vice President.

Secretary announced no reports received from Junior Vice President.

Report of Department Secretary.

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS,

FT. MORGAN, COLO., June 1, 1902.

MRS. ARABELLA C. JOHNSON, Department President, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM. Following the example of my predecessor

sors in office and in accordance with my obligation I hereby submit a report of the membership and condition of the corps in this department for the fiscal year.

On entering upon your office the reports at headquarters showed a membership of 1,637, with 39 corps in good standing and four delinquent corps.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1901.

GAINS		LOSSES	
By initiation.....	101	By death.....	7
By transfer.....	6	By honorable discharge...	5
By re-instatement.....	29	By transfer.....	11
By delinquent reports.....	89	By suspension.....	60
Total.....	225	Total.....	83

Membership June 30, 1901, 1,779.

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1901.

GAINS		LOSSES	
By initiation.....	56	By death.....	1
By transfer.....	4	By honorable discharge.....	6
By re-instatement.....	20	By transfer.....	5
		By suspension.....	59
		By delinquent reports.....	42
		By disbanding.....	6
Total.....	80	Total.....	119

Membership September 30, 1901, 1,740.

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1901.

GAINS		LOSSES	
By initiation.....	80	By death.....	4
By transfer.....	18	By honorable discharge.....	18
By re-instatement.....	38	By transfer.....	16
By delinquent reports.....	44	By suspension.....	83
		By delinquent reports.....	59
Total.....	180	Total.....	180

Membership December 31, 1901, 1,740.

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1902.

GAINS		LOSSES	
By initiation.....	128	By death.....	13
By transfer.....	15	By honorable discharge.....	10
By re-instatement.....	42	By transfer.....	11
By delinquent reports.....	38	By suspension.....	70
Total.....	223	Total.....	104

Membership March 31, 1902, 1,859.

As we are proud to report no corps delinquent the state-

ment for March 31 is the same as for this date and the net gain in membership for this year is 222.

One corps, that of Byron L. Carr No. 10 of Fondis, we regret to report as having disbanded in April 1901, entailing a loss of six members, some of whom have since joined other corps.

No new corps having been instituted we have now 42 corps in the department all in good standing.

That this department has not wearied in well doing the following statement of relief expended will show:

AMOUNT OF RELIEF EXPENDED.	
CASH.	OTHER THAN MONEY.
Second quarter 1901 . . . \$ 282 60	Second quarter 1901 \$ 467 52
Third quarter 1901 . . . 221 89	Third quarter 1901 . . 352 68
Fourth quarter 1901 . . . 1101 95	Fourth quarter 1901 . . 713 50
First quarter 1901 . . . 163 61	First quarter 1902 . . 118 48
Total 2073 08	Total 1982 18
Number of soldiers assisted, 341.	
Number of members assisted, 71.	
Number of persons assisted, 1,754.	

The corps showing the greatest increase in membership during the year are Winfield Scott No. 19 of Aspen, 44, Colorado Springs No. 4, 33, and Golden No. 53, 16.

In amount of relief work done Colorado Springs No. 4 ranks first with \$714.18 cash and \$570.98 relief other than money; Nathaniel Lyon No. 27 of Boulder is second; and Veteran No. 14 of Denver third.

CORPS ON THE ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut No. 1	Denver, Colorado
Upton No. 2	Pueblo, "
Sedgwick No. 3	Durango, "
Colorado Springs No. 4	Colorado Springs, "
T. H. Dodd No. 5	Golden, "
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6	Denver, "
Myron W. Reed, No. 7	Rifle, "
James A. Garfield, No. 8	Leadville, "
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9	Cheyenne, Wyoming
North Fork, No. 10	Hotchkiss, Colorado
Gunnison, No. 12	Gunnison, "
Caspar W. Collins, No. 13	Rawlins, Wyoming
Veteran No. 14	Denver, Colorado
U. S. Grant, No. 15	Greeley, "
Grand Junction, No. 17	Grand Junction, "
R. A. Cameron, No. 18	Fort Morgan, "
Winfield J. Scott, No. 19	Aspen, "
Custer, No. 20	Laramie, Wyoming
Reno, No. 21	Denver, Colorado
Mulligan, No. 22	Springfield, "
J. W. Anderson, No. 23	Cripple Creek, "

W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	Evans, Wyoming
George H. Thomas, No. 26.....	Fort Collins, Colorado
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	Boulder, "
Ellsworth, No. 28.....	Central City, "
Elbert Co., No. 29.....	Elbert, "
A. J. Smith, No. 31.....	Florence, "
McPherson, No. 32.....	Longmont, "
Major Anderson, No. 35.....	Arvada, "
E. M. Stanton, No. 37.....	Salida, "
A. E. Burnside, No. 38.....	Loveland, "
Pike's Peak, No. 39.....	Manitou, "
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	Denver, "
George Washington, No. 42.....	Denver, "
J. C. Fremont, No. 45.....	Littleton, "

During the term of my office of 14 months there have been issued from these headquarters 8 general orders, 2 memorial orders, 2 circular letters, 1 roster, 41 commissions, and 1 department password; and these headquarters have distributed from national headquarters 11 general orders, 2 memorial orders, 1 password and 2 circular letters.

As it was the desire of the president to visit, during her term of office, every corps in the department, and as the president is usually much more welcome as inspector than her secretary would be, in order not to incur needless expense to the department, your secretary gladly transferred her share of the work of inspection to the president and so can speak from personal knowledge of but two corps, Reno and Nathaniel Lyon, both of which were visited in an informal manner and in both pleasant acquaintances were formed and the heart made to feel that there was a stronger tie than mere acquaintance in our united work for a common cause.

I do not apologize to my correspondents for my sins of "omission and commission": they are known and I also trust it is believed that they have arisen through ignorance rather than intention.

I would like to say in this connection that as many corps seem to desire the department to furnish the treasurer's bond, and as this is now impossible as they are not among the free blanks, as also these blanks are now furnished detached corps by the national, I will offer this recommendation that corps treasurers' bonds be placed upon the list of free blanks.

I am much pleased to be able to omit the half page or so which my predecessors have been obliged to insert of prayers, pleadings and reasonings concerning delinquent reports. In place of this may I suggest that if ALL corps

would follow the example of some of the larger ones and allow their secretary and treasurer their dues while their work is prompt and satisfactory, a marked improvement in the receipts of reports at headquarters would result.

I believe also that any changes in blanks that simplify the reports to be made by corps will be an improvement.

It is always a pleasure to a secretary to know that the general orders sent, reach the persons addressed, so she is glad to receive corrections to her mailing list at any time, and the only way such list can be kept correct is by notice from the parties themselves of any change in address.

To Mrs. Ida Critchell, department treasurer, a tyro in office with myself, and whose work is so closely connected with that of secretary, I will say that my labors have been lightened through her intelligent, systematic reports and correspondence, and as I with many others of the council have shared her generous hospitality, I wish here to thank her for these and other courtesies extended and to hope that the friendship so engendered may be a lasting one.

And now as our relations as president and secretary are about to terminate, I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me in appointing me to this position, for your patience and courtesy, for your hospitality which we of your council have shared.

I know that your successor can no more than equal your zeal, which has not spared any effort to yourself, in becoming fully acquainted with the needs of your department, and in closing I wish for my successor the same patriotic support which I have myself received.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

Report of Department Treasurer.

DENVER, COLORADO, March 31, 1912.

1411 HOOKER STREET,

KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary.

DEAR MADAM—In compliance with Rules and Regulations I beg leave to submit the following report of receipts and disbursements of this Department:

GENERAL FUND.

DEBIT.

Per capita tax \$1134 00

GENERAL FUND.	DEBIT.
Sale of supplies	372 08
National convention expenses returned by department president	31 35
Refund national treasurer	8 05
Balance from former treasurer	250 14
Total	1795 62
Relief fund	72 52
Treasurer's bond	5 00
Secretary's salary	75 00
Treasurer's salary	75 00
Official visits department president	45 95
Bill, Clara Rapp	1 56
Expense special committees	6 60
Flowers, funeral and memorial	9 75
Flag department headquarters	6 00
Expense council meetings	11 55
Expense inspection	113 31
Postage, express, telephone, telegrams, office expenses department officers	149 29
Board of national secretary, Mrs. Hardin, at the 17th Annual convention, Pueblo	9 00
Insurance on Banner	3 00
Refund Upton corps	75
Testimonial to national secretary	8 00
Subscription to National Tribune for press correspondent	1 00
Supplies national treasurer	289 93
National treasurer per capita tax	248 96
Department president, office expenses	7 55
M. Kingsford, expense 17th Annual convention, Pueblo, and postage on journals,	45 00
M. Kauffmann, expense auditing books	4 65
Anna Fishback, expenses 17th convention, Pueblo	12 20
S. A. Tucker, assistant secretary 17th con., Pueblo	15 85
Printing report of 17th convention	137 50
Bill 16th convention report	10 00
National convention expenses	100 00
National convention badges	19 50
Stationary, printing, books, G. and Mem. orders	136 24
Telephone	1 50
	1622 26
Balance	173 36
Total	1795 62

RELIEF FUND.

Balance	107 35
General fund	72 32
Sale Telford book	5 65
Disbanded corps	1 90
Cash donations for relief Jacksonville, Fla., corps as follows:	



Sincerely Yours
Ida Mitchell

Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. 29

McPherson corps.....	5 00
Grand Junction corps.....	3 00
G. G. Meade corps.....	2 00
Reno corps.....	2 00

Balance.....	12 00
Total.....	190 22
To Jennie McGill, chairman of relief.....	100 00
To national treasurer for Jacksonville corps.....	12 00

Balance.....	112 00
	87 22

Total.....	190 22
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ASSETS.

Value of supplies on hand March 31, 1902.....	113 02
Value of supplies destroyed by commissary.....	23 88

Total.....	89 14
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Value of department property, including banners, books, files in use and blanks.....	332 15
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Total value of supplies and property.....	421 29
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Balance in General fund.....	173 36
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Balance in Relief fund.....	87 22
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Total.....	681 87
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SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

GENERAL FUND.

	DEBIT
Balance.....	\$173 36

Sale of supplies.....	47 91
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Total.....	221 27
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CREDIT

Printing G. and Mem., orders, stationary.....	18 00
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Postage patriotic instructor.....	4 50
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Postage I. & I. officer.....	2 00
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Department treasurer, postage, expressage, etc.....	24 62
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Official visits, postage and office expense, department president.....	27 05
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Expense auditing committee.....	5 46
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Postage department senior vice president.....	1 10
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Postage chief aide.....	1 52
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National treasurer on annual convention supplies.....	70 00
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Department president for convention expenses.....	50 00
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Supplies lost in transit.....	3 40
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Telegraph and telephone.....	3 65
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Office expenses for the year.....	7 64
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Postage press correspondent.....	2 00
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Balance.....	83
Total.....	221 27

BILLS PAYABLE

National treasury supplies.....	22 14
Envelopes	1 25

23 39

ASSETS

Value of supplies on hand June 6, 1902.....	105 05
Value of department property including banners, books and files in use and blanks.....	332 15

437 20

Balance in the general fund.....	83
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Balance in the relief fund.....	67 22
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Total.....	505 25
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RELIEF FUND.

DEBIT

Cash donations.

Meade, No. 6	7 00
Veteran, No. 14	7 00
Reno, No. 21	6 00
Crocker, No. 40	6 00
Washington, No. 42	5 00
Farragut, No. 1	5 00

36 00

Balance	87 22
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Total	123 22
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CREDIT

Jennie McGill, chairman of relief	20 00
Same	36 00

56 00

Balance	67 22
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Total.....	123 22
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Respectfully submitted in F., C. & L.

IDA CRITCHELL,

Department Treasurer.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. I would recommend that insurance be carried on stock in the hands of department treasurer.

2. That corps purchase department aides' badges, holding the same as corps property as officers' badges.

Recommendation 3 That the Silken Department Banner be not carried to each Department Convention.

In closing this, my year's work, I wish to thank the corps treasurers throughout this department for the courtesies extended to me, and for the kindly patience exercised by them in the sometimes necessarily long waits for supplies. I have received many friendly letters and appreciate all the kindly thoughts and wishes expressed.

I extend to you, Mrs. President, and to you also, Mrs. Secretary, my thanks for your hearty cooperation in my work as Treasurer, making my labors easier by cheering words and good advice in perplexity, and prompt response to calls for orders for money.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

IDA CRITCHELL, Department Treasurer.

OFFICE NATIONAL SECRETARY, DENVER, COL., JUNE 9, 1902
KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

Madam: The committee appointed by Arabella C. Johnson, Department President, W. R. C., department Colorado and Wyoming, submit to you, and through you to the 15th department convention the following report.

The committee met at the home of Department Treasurer Ida M. Critchell and after carefully looking over the supplies in her office did, under the direction of the department president, cause to be destroyed the following list of obsolete supplies:

FREE BLANKS.

21 department Journals, 15th department convention.
9 applications.
10 leaves for ritual.
1 department requisition book.
1 Corps requisition book.
7 old requisition books.
40 specimen sheets (ledger).
3 old receipt books (stubs).

DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

1 department service book	\$ 25
1 hectograph	3 50

CORPS SUPPLIES.

52 orders to auditing committee	\$ 52
98 old rules and regulations	6 86
6 rituals	1 50
4 ledgers	2 00
1 journal	10
2 small cash books	1 00
18 service books	1 50
2 mutilated initiation marches	10

40 specimen sheet cash book	40
4 memorial service books	60
3 red books	1 95
Total	23 88

FANNIE D. W. HARDIN	} Com.
LUCY M. CAMPBELL	
ALICE M. SEEDS	

Report of Department Chaplain.

ROCKY FORD, COLO., June 11, 1902.

MRS. ARABELLA C. JOHNSON, Department President, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM—As required by our rules and regulations, I herewith submit the following report as Department Chaplain for the year just closing. I wish to thank the members of the convention for the honor conferred upon Wadsworth Relief Corps No. 13, by electing one of their number to the office of Department Chaplain. I have tried to fulfill my duties with credit to myself and my corps; of course I have made mistakes, which I trust have been pardoned.

I would like to add a word to what has already been said by former department chaplains in regard to the necessity of the corps chaplains forwarding their reports as soon after Memorial day as possible. The department chaplain does not like to report one corps delinquent, and waits as long as possible. By a careful study of our rules and regulations each chaplain can see just when these reports should be sent; some of our corps were very prompt, many were so slow that it was necessary for me to write for their reports, and then a few came after my report was sent in. Sisters this should not be, for we belong to a great organization and one part out of order affects the whole. A little care might correct the fault. Of the eleven corps I have had to report as being delinquent I will say that two of them, Victor No. 41, T. H. Dodd No. 5, did not receive their blanks in time to get their Memorial day reports to me before mine was sent off; one, Jim Bowie No. 30, was quarantined because of smallpox, two were disbanded and the rest paid no attention whatsoever to their reports, so are the real delinquents.

The following is a list of those of our members reported to me who have passed from the cares of this life to the peace and rest of that beyond.

Mrs. Flora Cypher, Farragut, No. 1, June 28, 1901.

- Mrs. Melissa R. Curtis, G. H. Thomas, No. 16, Nov. 16, '01.
 Mrs. Willie B. Long, Geo. Washington, No. 42, Nov. 16, '01.
 Mrs. Minnie Kimball, Farragut, No. 1, November 17, 1901.
 Mrs. Agnes A. Fair, Veteran, No. 11, June 5, 1901.
 Mrs. Agnes Gallagher, Farragut, No. 1, June 8, 1901.
 Mrs. Carrie I. Chadbourn, A. E. Burnside, No. 38, June 29, 1901.
 Mrs. Mecca Chester, Veteran, No. 11, May 2, 1901.
 Mrs. Anna Frankeberger, Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, April 27, 1901.
 Mrs. Keziah Fausler, Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, 1902.
 Mrs. Minnie Sanders, M. M. Crocker, No. 40, March 9, 1902.
 Mrs. Margaritta Kauffmann, Geo. Washington, No. 42, January 25, 1902.
 Mrs. Delia Whipple, North Fork, No. 11, February, '02.
 Mrs. Ellen M. Hollbrook, Colorado Springs, No. 4, January 12, 1902.
 Mrs. Sarah F. Russell, Reno, No. 21, February 1, 1902.
 Mrs. Addie Taylor, Reno, No. 21, February 13, 1902.
 Mrs. Ellen Fletcher, Grand Junction, No. 17, Jan. 26, '02.
 Mrs. Elva Beemer, Grand Junction, No. 17, March 9, '02.
 Mrs. Louisa Wallace, Sedgwick, No. 3, February 13, '02.
 Mrs. Cox, Sedgwick, No. 3, February 26, 1900.
 Mrs. Martha Stebbins, M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Dec. 1901.
 Mrs. Ellen Pierce, G. G. Meade, No. 6, March 1902.

SYNOPSIS OF REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Total number corps on roster	43
" " " reporting	36
" " " delinquent	7
" " deaths reported to Department Chaplain	22
" " membership reported	1 495
" " members taking part in Memorial day exercises	909
Total number corps taking part in Sabbath Memorial exercises	35
Total number soldiers' graves decorated	6 011
" " children taking part	17 118
" expenses incurred for Memorial day	\$293 18
" number corps providing refreshments for post	12
" " corps providing flowers for Memorial purposes	35
" number corps providing memorial unknown dead	28
" amount money sent South for Memorial day	\$ 17 00
" " expense for Memorial day	310 18

Thanking you sincerely for your courtesy to me at all times, and trusting that your visit in our fair city may be as pleasant to you in reality as it has been to us in anticipation.

I am yours in F., C. and L.,

MADeline SLOAN,
Department Chaplain.

Report of Department Counselor.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR,

RAWLINS, WYOMING, June 7, 1912.

MRS. KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Dep. Sec., W. R. C.

In compliance with our rules and regulations, I hereby submit my report:

As I anticipated, the duties of my office have been very light during the past year. The superior executive ability and excellent judgment of our department president have relieved me of all duties usually incumbent upon this office—leaving me absolutely nothing to report in an official way.

That I have ever held myself in readiness to render any assistance in my power, it is needless to say. It has been my pleasure to visit several corps during the year—one of them a detached corps. Go where we will over this beautiful land of ours, we find loyal women earnestly striving to advance the principles of our order. By our lives we are teaching the youth of our country the true patriotism of our fathers, a patriotism which makes them better citizens and better Christians.

Now, as I surrender my badge of office, I wish to express to the department president and to my colleagues generally, my very sincere thanks for the honor conferred by my appointment. Though I have contributed but little to the success of the year's work, I have ever been loyal to the department and the cause. Fraternal yours,

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,
Department Counselor.

Report of Department Inspector.

MRS. KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Dear Madam: I hereby most cheerfully submit to this convention a consolidated report of the corps of this department from September 1, 1900, to September 1, 1901, of which the following is a summary:

Number of corps August 31, 1901.....

Members of corps in good standing.....	1 79
Average attendance of officers.....	8
Average attendance of members including officers.....	11
Amount of money in the general fund.....	\$1 535 22
Amount of money in the relief fund.....	791 10
Amount expended for relief.....	2 012 06
Amount expended for relief other than money.....	678 27

With the aid of our department president and senior vice president we have visited and thoroughly inspected each corps in this department save Mulligan, No. 22, of Springfield, which was inspected by blank at their own request. As a whole we find our corps in a flourishing condition, the members laboring willingly and cheerfully for the cause. While we have lost one corps of six members we have gained 105 new members. Our president has visited each corps and for the sake of economy has combined the work of inspection with her official visits. While it is necessary that we carefully consider our finances we are working for the "good of the order" and should give more attention to the needs of our corps, and especially to the smaller outside ones which labor under great difficulties that our city corps know nothing about, and while our large corps give such fine reports of large memberships, full treasuries and great relief extended, these little corps deserve greater commendation for their efforts because of these difficulties they have to contend with. Many of them never having the opportunity of seeing any of our work performed outside their own corps, and we know that this being the case they cannot be very well versed in the exemplification of the ritual. One of their needs is instruction and encouragement, and this can be given in no better way than by giving them at least two official visits during the year; one from the president and one from the inspector, and let me here say I heartily endorse the recommendation of our president in this matter. Put all the work of the inspector into her hands, and let her perform it all if possible, or choose assistants at her own discretion when necessary. While there is a great deal of work connected with this office there is a great deal of pleasure also, but no one should accept this position thinking there is nothing to do but visit.

The following corps were inspected by Department President Arabella C. Johnson, who reports as follows:

UPTON, No. 2, Pueblo. - The work is very well done, Upton corps exemplifying the ritual at convention would have been exempt from inspection had they wished. It

was a pleasure, however, to see them perform their floor work. Instruction was given on a few points to new officers. Twenty-eight present at inspection. Banquet was given and G. A. R. men were present. Beautiful flowers were presented.

SEDGWICK, No. 3, Durango. As in the case of many other towns the number of women's societies makes it hard for the corps to prosper. Neglect to attend the meetings is their greatest difficulty. They understand the floor work and seem interested in it. Taking some of the officers we went through the flag work for their instruction. Ten members present. Lunch was served at the close of the inspection.

MYRON W. REED, No. 7, Rifle. Living so far from other corps, never having seen the work done, they labor under great difficulties. They desire to do the work right but hardly know how. Have not the number of flag bearers two were present; will try to bring the work up to a higher standard. Number present at inspection nine. Refreshments served.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, No. 8, Leadville. I found a live flourishing corps doing good work, but slack in attendance. Many members were present for the first time in months, making the floor work irregular. The colorbearers did not quite understand the work. Altogether was pleased with condition and expect great things of J. A. Garfield corps No. 8. Thirty-two members present at inspection. It being the president's birthday two beautiful gold spoons and a fine bouquet were presented to her. Banquet at night with post and corps.

J. F. REYNOLDS, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo. Corps in good condition and floor work fairly well done. Flag work not understood thoroughly. Instruction given and they immediately took the work up. Twenty members present. Department Commander Sherman visited the corps and in the evening a reception was held that was attended by many and well enjoyed. Beautiful flowers were presented to the department president.

NORTH FORK, No. 11, Hotchkiss. Property valued at \$650 owned by the corps. Used for their meetings and also brings some rent. Their membership is scattered over a large territory, and their attendance small. Owing to their

Ar W. R. C., for Year Ending Aug. 31, '01.

NA	Estimated value of relief other than money	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that they've been audited by the auditing Com. quarterly?	Are copies of regular Or. relief reports sent to the post?	Do the post and corps work in harmony?	Did representative make a report of proceedings of last department convention	Amount of money turned over to post from Sept. 1, 1900, to Sept. 1, 1901	Is the work of the ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the secretary properly performed and books correct	Is the work of Treas. properly performed and books correct
	15	16	17	18	19	20	1	2	3	4
Farr	\$ 82 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$ 10 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Upt	22 50	"	"	"	yes	11 50	yes	yes	yes	yes
Sed	6 00	"	"	"	yes	12 00	no	no	yes	yes
Cold	610 90	"	"	"	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
T. H.	15 00	"	"	"	yes		no	no	yes	no
Geo.	189 25	"	"	"	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
Myr	188 25	no	no	yes	yes		no	no	no	yes
Jas.		yes	yes	"	yes	50 00	part	yes	no	no
L. F.	35 00	"	"	"	yes	47 80	part	yes	yes	yes
Nor		"	"	"			no	no		
Gun	10 00	"	"	"	yes	312 70	no	no	no	yes
Casi	70 00	"	"	"	yes		part	yes	yes	yes
Vet	85 00	"	"	"	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
U. S.		"	"	"	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
Wad		"	"	"	yes		no	no	no	no
Gray		"	"	"	yes	10 00	part	no	no	no
R. A.	5 00	"	"	"	yes	24 00	part	yes	no	no
Win		"	"	"	yes	37 50	part	yes	no	no
Cus		"	"	"	yes		part	yes	yes	yes
Ken	131 50	"	"	"	yes	10 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Mul		"	"	"	no					
Jas.	36 80	"	"	"	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
W.		no	"	"	yes		no	no	no	yes
Pri	10 00	yes	"	"	yes		no	no	no	no
Geo.	9 00	"	"	"	yes	50 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Nat	47 22	"	"	"	yes		part	yes	yes	yes
E.H.		"	"	"	yes	10 85	part	yes	yes	yes
E.H.	17 49	"	"	"	yes	15 00	part	yes	no	no
Jim	3 00	no	"	"	no		part	yes	no	no
A. J.		yes	no	"	yes		no	no	yes	yes
McI	10 00	"	yes	"	yes	35 00	yes	yes	yes	yes
Kilp		no	"	"	no		no			
Man		yes	"	yes	yes		no	no	no	yes
E. S.	15 25	"	"	"	yes		no	no	yes	no
A. E.		no	no	"	no		no	no	no	no
Pike	25 00	no	no	disb	yes		no	no	yes	yes
M. S.	48 00	yes	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
N.		no	"	"	yes					
Viet	19 15	yes	yes	"	yes		part	yes	yes	yes
Geo.	11 80	no	"	"	yes		part	no	yes	yes
Joe		no	"	"			no	no	no	no
Phil	16 00	yes	"	"			part	yes	yes	yes
J. C.					yes					
GIS 27										

. C. STEPHENSON, Department Inspector.

Annual Report of Inspector of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C., for Year Ending Aug. 31, '01.

NAME OF CORPS.	NO.	LOCATION.	Number of regular meetings in the year	Number of members in good standing	Average attendance	Average attendance of members including officers	Is the number of rituals complete?	Have all reports and dues been forwarded to the Dept. headquarters?	Is the treasurer notified as required by obligation?	Are all members, when two quarters in arrears for dues reported quarterly reports?	Does Corps Treas. or ass't visit delinquent members and explain in Rev. Ritual, No. 42?	Amount charged for initiation, not including name of badge	Amount charged for yearly dues	Amount of money in general fund	Amount of money in relief fund if none	Amount expended for relief of needy, from Sept. 1, 1900 to Sept. 1, 1901	Estimated value of property in the hands of the Corps	Do the books of Sec. and Treas. show that the funds are audited by the auditing Com. quarterly?	Are copies of regular Graceler reports sent to the base?	Do the post and corps work in harmony?	Did representative meetings of last degree of last degree participate in convention?	Amount of money on hand from Sept. 1, 1900 to Sept. 1, 1901	Is the work of the ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the ritual performed and books correct?	Is the work of Treas. properly performed and books correct?
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	1	2	3	4
Farragut	1	Denver	50	57	12	36	no	yes	yes	no	yes	\$1 00	\$2 00	12 35	5 30	\$1 25	\$2 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$ 10 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Upton	2	Pueblo	31	35	10	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	46 14	10 25	47 00	22 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	11 50	yes	yes	yes	yes
Sedgewick	3	Durango	29	24	7	9	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	29 03	17 45	5 00	6 01	no	no	yes	yes	12 00	no	no	yes	yes
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado Spgs.	28	130	12	40	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	57 04	13 32	419 40	610 90	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
T. H. Dodd	5	Golden	19	31	8	10	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	25 05	15 20	15 00	15 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Geo. G. Meade	6	Denver	52	73	10	27	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 10	2 00	11 17	42 26	265 50	189 25	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Myron W. Reed	7	Kille	15	22	6	6	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	30	45	265 50	189 25	yes	yes	yes	yes	50 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Jas. A. Garfield	8	Leadville	19	51	76	10	20	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	40 05	4 50	150 50	150 50	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
J. F. Reynolds	9	Cheveenne	24	43	8	13	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	150 35	11 41	20 00	35 00	no	no	yes	yes	47 80	part	yes	yes	yes
North Fork	10	Hotchkiss	20	18	6	8	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	51 00	3 00	28 85	10 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Gunnison	12	Gunnison	20	18	6	8	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	57 00	2 03	28 85	10 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Casper W. Collins	13	Rawlins	24	51	8	15	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	2 00	55 28	5 84	23 40	20 01	no	no	yes	yes	92 70	part	yes	yes	yes
Victorian	14	Denver	42	73	10	29	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	82 43	23 48	143 61	85 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
U. S. Grant	15	Greeley	20	46	10	20	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	2 00	61 05	58 75	61 00	10 00	no	no	yes	yes	92 70	part	yes	yes	yes
Wadsworth	16	Rocky Ford	23	26	6	9	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	27 11	18 11	5 00	5 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Grand Junction	17	Grand Junction	52	51	10	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 25	1 00	91 68	20 00	50 00	50 00	no	no	yes	yes	10 00	part	no	no	no
K. A. Cameron	18	Fort Morgan	22	38	8	11	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	22 45	14 00	11 75	5 00	no	no	yes	yes	24 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Winfield Scott	19	Aspen	22	58	9	14	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	18 50	17 45	14 00	9 00	no	no	yes	yes	37 50	part	yes	yes	yes
Custer	20	Laramie	42	42	9	12	no	no	no	no	no	1 20	1 00	255 76	82 10	90 00	131 50	no	no	yes	yes	10 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Remond	21	Denver	42	55	9	14	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	2 00	20 82	10 43	90 00	131 50	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Mulligan	22	Springfield	11	12	1	3	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	68 67	20 32	31 50	35 50	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Jas. W. Anderson	23	Cripple Creek	41	163	10	25	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	10 05	2 38	32 13	30 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
W. F. Sherman	24	Evans	12	20	7	12	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	8 40	1 00	61 45	10 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	50 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Belcher	25	Manitou	22	38	8	11	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	17 50	28 40	14 00	9 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Geo. H. Thomas	26	Fort Collins	42	68	11	25	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	13 39	1 15	92 00	47 22	no	no	yes	yes	10 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Nathaniel Lyon	27	Boulder	22	107	8	20	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	13 39	1 15	92 00	47 22	no	no	yes	yes	10 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Lilworth	28	Central City	21	19	10	27	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	29 78	2 00	18 20	17 45	no	no	yes	yes	15 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Robert County	29	Robert County	22	13	5	13	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	11 07	16 08	1 30	4 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Jim Bowie	30	Amethyst	11	18	5	8	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	11 07	16 08	1 30	4 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
A. J. Smith	31	Florence	11	15	5	8	no	yes	yes	no	no	1 00	1 00	2 34	3 00	10 00	10 00	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
McCluskey	32	Louisville	21	72	11	31	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	25 14	2 00	10 20	10 20	no	no	yes	yes	35 00	part	yes	yes	yes
Kilpatrick	33	La Junta	6	10	6	6	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	3 00	2 00	10 00	10 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Major Anderson	34	Arvada	15	21	5	7	yes	yes	yes	no	no	1 00	1 00	3 12	1 00	47 00	47 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
E. M. Stanton	35	Manitou	21	31	9	14	yes	yes	yes	no	no	1 00	1 00	8 40	1 00	5 00	15 25	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
A. E. Burnside	36	Loveland	19	20	5	12	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	11 82	1 00	10 00	10 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Pikes Peak	37	Manitou	22	28	5	9	yes	yes	yes	no	no	1 00	1 00	8 10	10 00	19 50	25 00	no	no	disb	disb	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
M. M. Crocker	38	Denver	41	51	10	17	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	2 00	50 04	32 10	92 20	45 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Victor	39	Victor	18	21	4	10	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	35 14	2 00	10 20	10 20	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Geo. Washington	40	Denver	41	43	11	17	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	16 03	15 53	39 13	19 15	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Joe Hooker	41	Monte Vista	12	22	8	12	yes	yes	yes	no	no	1 00	1 00	22 12	6 00	50 55	11 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
Paul Sheridan	42	Monte Vista	12	22	8	12	yes	yes	yes	no	no	1 00	1 00	22 12	6 00	50 55	11 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
J. C. Fremont	43	Littleton	22	26	7	9	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
	44	Littleton	22	26	7	9	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
	45	Littleton	22	26	7	9	no	no	no	no	no	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes
			1691	1799	329							1691	1799	329												

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

SARA E. C. STEPHENSON, Department Inspector.

not receiving notice of the time of inspection there were not enough members to perform the work. They are trying to keep up the work and seem interested in it. Four members present at inspection.

GUNNISON, No. 12, Gunnison. Their floor work was very creditable and with the exception of flag work above the average. The same difficulty confronts the president of corps No. 12 that every other president complains of poor attendance of members. This corps is fairly prosperous and desires to do good work. Members present at inspection 11. Supper was served after inspection.

CASPER W. COLLINS, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo. The corps is in a very prosperous condition. One initiated and one admitted by transfer on day of inspection. Floor work is very good and interest shown throughout. Thirty-two members present. A reception was held in the evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fishback attended by post and corps. Beautiful flowers were presented the department president.

WADSWORTH, No. 16, Rocky Ford. This corps has not been doing the work it should do; owing, however, to the coming convention the work has been taken up again and new members added, and a more healthy growth will be the outcome.

GRAND JUNCTION, No. 17, Grand Junction. The treasurer has not known there was a blank for her report at regular meetings. Her orders were not numbered nor were those of the secretary. It seemed incredible that no inspector had noticed they had no blanks. No instruction had been given them for comparing accounts of secretary and treasurer. Their secretary was the third one for the year. Floor work fairly good. Fourteen members present. After work of inspection the post was invited in and refreshments were served.

R. A. CAMERON, No. 18, Fort Morgan. This corps is in an unusually flourishing condition. Thirty members were present. Owing to a misunderstanding the inspector was not present as was expected and the corps was inspected by the department president. The department commander was present in the evening when a banquet was tendered the officers. Three persons initiated on day of inspection.

WINFIELD SCOTT, No. 19, Aspen. The floor work was almost perfectly done. In some slight measure the assistant conductor and two color bearers were deficient but it being their second time only of service, they were considered excusable. The work was done heartily, not mechanically but with spirit, and deserves commendation. Music good. Twenty-one members present. Supper served after inspection.

CUSTER, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo. Found it in good working condition and ready to help all who are in need. Floor work good in all respects save that of color bearers. Post joined us at an oyster supper later. Thirty members present at inspection.

PFEIFFER, No. 25, Alamosa. After two quarters' misunderstanding I find this corps doing good work and endeavoring to regain lost ground. Having lost six members by withdrawal, the remaining ones did creditable floor work, and things are in good shape for increased membership. The treasurer having failed to send in reports for second quarter in time, made third quarter reports somewhat wrong. Will do better. Was pleased to find that harmony prevails.

JIM BOWIE, No. 30, Amethyst. The president went away early in the year leaving Mrs. Woodruff in charge. Her child took scarlet fever and they were quarantined. Then the secretary's family was quarantined for the same. Small pox broke out in some corps families. The per capita tax was voted in June but never sent. Books of secretary are still in quarantine. Their floor work was better than some corps who hold meetings regularly. The members are earnest and will bring their work up. Eleven present at inspection. No flag work.

A. J. SMITH, No. 31, Florence. Have eight delinquent members and 15 in good standing. One lady paid dues on inspection day saying "Since the department president has talked to us we will not disband, and so I will pay my dues." More energetic work was commenced and a desire for greater interest shown. Have flags, but no color bearers; flags were at the home of a lady who was absent; could give no instruction in flag work. Have been meeting at home of president and look more hopeful.

KILPATRICK, No. 31, La Junta. Having very few meet

ings during the year the work is not kept up. This corps has been having trouble to keep together owing to many things but have taken new interest and expect to gain ground.

E. M. STANTON, No. 37, Salida. On account of having been away for the summer, or attending to other matters the officers in the chairs were mostly appointed for the day and not well versed in the work of the ritual. Floor work fairly well done. Some instruction given in flag work. Number present at inspection 13. After inspection refreshments were served. In the evening a social time was held with the post.

JOE HOOKER, No. 13, Monte Vista. The efforts to remove the Soldiers' Home has greatly weakened this corps. The interest is good and a desire for greater efficiency shown by officers present. Several officers absent. The work is not memorized. Books well kept. No flag work for the lack of color bearers. Ten members present at inspection.

PHIL SHERIDAN, No. 11, Buena Vista. The condition of this corps could not be worse and they hold their charter. Money on hand to pay per capita tax, but president had gone; the member acting as president did not know how. Saw that reports were sent to headquarters. They will try to induce suspended members to return and try again. Only four members present and no floor work.

MULLIGAN, No. 22, Springfield. Request sent to inspect or to have this corps inspected by blank because they had no regular place of meeting. Request granted.

Department Senior Vice President Olive A. Killin inspected the following corps:

T. H. DODD, No. 5, Golden. Not so good as I could wish. The interest seems to be lacking. The attendance was good, but there is too much of hesitancy to take hold and work with a will and with an interest.

The treasurer's books are in good condition, with one or two exceptions, and after showing her, all will be right now I am sure. Mrs. Hardin filled the first color bearer's chair, and aided with encouraging words.

RENO, No. 21, Denver. Corps in good condition. The president is especially well qualified in her work.

ELLSWORTH, No. 28, Central City. Attendance good.

All harmonious. I want to make special mention of a flag drill given after the meeting, (or for the good of the order) composed of a number of young ladies dressed in Grecian costumes of white, with a flag draped from the right shoulder and extending to the floor. It is called the "Star Spangled Banner Flag Drill," and would tend to inculcate a patriotic feeling as well as to be very entertaining to an audience. A very substantial supper was served after the meeting. Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin was with me and we were comfortably entertained at the Teller House at the expense of the corps. The scenery was grand, and the fresh air exhilarating.

MAJOR ANDERSON, No. 35, Arvada. This is a corps that needs and deserves encouragement. Only 7 members were out and the work could not be properly gone through with so small attendance. Mrs. Fannie Hardin filled one of the chairs, and assisted in instructing and encouraging them. After corps meeting, the post was invited to join us, and to partake of refreshments in the way of hot coffee, sandwiches, pickles, grapes and cake. This corps is very much in earnest, and deserves great credit for the good work they are doing.

M. M. CROCKER, No. 40, Denver. Condition of corps very good indeed. I had the pleasure of meeting the secretary and treasurer at the beautiful home of the president, where we looked over the books together, and enjoyed a very fine luncheon as well. The officers, one and all, seem to be thoroughly in earnest, and work with understanding. This corps is in good working order, and in good order socially. Light refreshments were served after the meeting.

The following corps were inspected by Department Inspector Sara B. C. Stephenson:

FARRAGUT, No. 1, Denver. We met this corps in regular meeting with 30 members, and quite a number of visitors present. This is the oldest corps and keeps well up in the work of the ritual and the good of the order. The books are well kept and harmony prevails. Dainty refreshments were served.

COLORADO SPRINGS, No. 4, Colorado Springs. This corps is the largest in the department. We met with 44 members and quite a number of visitors. With a good hall and fine music the work was beautifully performed. Harmony pre-



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vails, and post and corps work together. A very good deal of relief is extended. Refreshments were served after inspection.

GEO. G. MEADE, No. 6, Denver. This corps met with 39 members, and a number of visitors, in regular meeting. The ritual was thoroughly memorized, the music was fine, and the work beautiful. Two candidates were initiated and three members received by transfer. The chairman of each committee gave a clear and concise report. A great deal of relief has been extended during the year. Refreshments served.

VETERAN, No. 14, Denver. Five other corps of the city met with Veteran in a union meeting. More than 100 ladies were present including four post department presidents. These meetings are held monthly and are a source of much good to the order, producing harmony and a united interest in the work. Veteran is one of our old corps; the membership is large, and the work well done. One noticeable feature of their relief work is the hospital committee, who during the past year have visited 250 of our patients and cheered and comforted them with fruits and flowers. After a very interesting meeting refreshments were served.

U. S. GRANT, No. 15, Greeley. A special meeting was called for inspection. Thirty members and several visitors were present. This is a good corps. Members are active and enthusiastic in the cause. The work was well performed; books in good shape, relief report very good. No regular meetings of this post are held. Refreshments served.

CRIPPLE CREEK, No. 23, Cripple Creek. Second largest of our corps No. 23 is in fine working condition. A large membership, good music, a fine hall, and of course good work. Books well kept. An interesting meeting was held, then lunch served. A beautiful bouquet of carnations was presented to the inspector who appreciated and highly enjoyed it. On her trip she forgot and left this bouquet at Elbert to her great regret, but she was afterwards consoled by knowing that her bouquet helped to brighten a house of worship the next morning, and was afterward taken to the bedside of a sick comrade. Word was sent her, "If you only knew how much good your flowers did you would be glad you forgot them." And she was.

W. T. SHERMAN, No. 24, Evans. Owing to the sickness of her daughter the president was unable to be present at inspection. We found this corps active and interested, having doubled its membership during the year. Considering the many difficulties it has to meet with this is a good corps. The work is fairly well performed save the part of the color bearers. A good meeting was held. Refreshments served.

Geo. H. THOMAS, No. 25, Fort Collins. This is one of the best corps we have visited. The floor work was well performed; the work was well memorized and members are thoroughly interested. A fund for the erection of a soldiers' monument is being raised, which already amounts to \$184. This corps in its relief work has purchased a small home for a soldier's widow, the use of which she is to have during her life time. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable time had.

NATHANIEL LYON, No. 27, Boulder. The required notices were duly sent to this corps, but the inspector not having been notified that the president had resigned and a new one elected, sent notices to former president, consequently her visit was unexpected. It being the day of regular meeting 34 members were in attendance. The inspector was cordially received, the work was cheerfully and thoroughly done. A vote of thanks was extended the inspector for her kindly criticism. Refreshments were hastily ordered, and well enjoyed; and altogether we count this afternoon well spent.

ELBERT COUNTY, No. 29, Elbert. This corps met for inspection with 17 members present. The members of the post were invited in and an excellent dinner served, after which members of corps repaired to the I. O. O. F. hall. They all were interested in, and anxious to learn the work. Four candidates were initiated and one taken in by transfer. Their members are widely scattered, and as they meet but once each month, they are very deficient in the work of the ritual, but seem ready and willing to work for the good of the order.

MCPHERSON, No. 32, Longmont. A special meeting was called for inspection. Thirty members were in attendance. While errors occurred in the exemplification of the ritual, the work was well done. The members act in harmony, and are alive to the interests of the corps. This is a flourishing

corps, and deserves commendation. Refreshments were served and thoroughly enjoyed.

A. E. BURNSIDE, No. 38, Loveland.—Nine members present. We found this corps very much discouraged; using old rituals, and they have never had color bearers. Dues are paid promptly, and quarterly reports sent in regularly. The trouble appears to be indifference on the part of some, and a lack of harmony among the members. An interesting meeting was held, most of the time being given to the work of color bearers. A good dinner was served. We have great hopes for the future.

PIKE'S PEAK, No. 39, Manitou. This is a very small corps. We met with 13 members and 18 visitors from Colorado Springs present. The work was very well performed considering the membership. Their post has disbanded, but the members of the corps, though few, are active and interested and do good relief work. After the inspection a good literary entertainment was given, and an excellent luncheon served.

VICTOR, No. 41, Victor. Owing to the absence of the president, the members of this corps received no notice of the intended visit of the inspector; and when on the day appointed, the inspector, accompanied by ten of the members of J. W. Anderson corps No. 23 of Cripple Creek visited the corps, she was greatly disappointed that no meeting could be held. A long consultation was held with the president and a very enjoyable trip had. Later the inspection blank was filled out and returned to the inspector, who sent by letter the remarks and suggestions she had intended offering the corps.

GEO. WASHINGTON, No. 42, Denver. This meeting was attended by 29 members and many visitors including our national secretary. The work is memorized by nearly all the officers, and well performed. We had a pleasant and we hope a profitable meeting, an hour being spent in asking and answering questions. Refreshments were served.

JOHN C. FREEMONT, No. 45, Littleton. Our visit to this corps was a little hurried. Though the membership is not large the members are thorough workers. The work is memorized in part and fairly well performed. The books are audited and reports carefully sent in. Perfect harmony prevails between post and corps.

As my predecessor has recommended, so I would insist, that larger blanks Form P be given us, as a pieced blank is very inconvenient.

I would also ask the presidents of each corps to be prompt and careful in filling out all blanks sent to them. The inspector must forward a report to the national inspector not later than July 20 and the standing of our department depends on the reports of the corps presidents.

Thanking our president and senior vice president for their assistance in this work and all the corps for their kind courtesy and hospitality, I hereby submit this report.

In F., C. and L.,

SARA B. COURTNEY STEPHENSON,

Department Inspector.

Report of Department I. and I. Officer.

DURANGO, COLO., May 31, 1902.

MRS. KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM:—I most respectfully submit my report as department instituting and installing officer with the consolidated reports from assistant instituting and installing officers for the year just ended. From many corps come cheering reports, and interesting accounts of enjoyable times, which they had at their installation exercises, of which, time not permitting, I must leave out.

Farragut, No. 1, Denver, January 4. President, Alice Ditson. Installing officer, Mrs. Mildred McKinsey. Public and joint with post.

Upton; No. 2, Pueblo, January 2. President, Mrs. Hattie Springer. Installing officer, Linus E. Sherman. Department commander, public. Joint with post and sons of veterans.

Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango, January 2. President, Alice H. Dudley. Installing officer, Lizzie N. Hansen. Private.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, Colorado Springs, January 11. President, Laura E. Farrar. Instituting and installing officer, Loretta Mummah. Joint with post No. 22.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden, January 11. President, Rose Jasper. Installing officer, Eliza B. Peters. Public and joint with post.

George G. Meade, No. 6, Denver, January 7. President,

Louisa Platt. Installing officer, Nancy L. Cowell. Public and joint with post.

M. W. Reed, No. 7, Rifle. President, Mrs. Mary M. Wurts.

James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville, January 2. President, Anna Amberson. Installing officer, Susie J. Searle. Joint with post.

J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., January 3. President, Minnie Haas. Installing officer, Bertha Meyers. Joint with post.

North Fork, No. 11, Hotchkiss, January 4. President, Minerva Lewis. Installing officer, Mary A. Miller. Joint with post.

Gunnison, No. 12, Gunnison, January 15. President, Laura E. Miller. Installing officer, Laura E. Miller. Private.

Casper W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., January 9. President, Mrs. Agnes Jordan. Installing officer, Mary L. Jennings. Private, at regular meeting.

Veteran, No. 14, Denver, January 2. President, Sarah V. Pridmore. Installing officer, Fannie D. W. Hardin, past national secretary. Public and joint with post.

U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley, January 22. President, Anna B. Sanborn. Installing officer, Clinena G. Howard. Joint with post.

Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford, January 1. President, Emma A. Godding. Installing officer, M. Badger. Public and joint with post.

Grand Junction, No. 17, Grand Junction, January 11. President, Ella B. Ackerman. Installing officer, Sarah E. Oldman. Public and joint with post.

R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan, January 7. President, Matilda Hotchkiss. Installing officer, George S. Redfield.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen, January 14. President, Hattie Hartshorn. Installing officer, Anna McKnight. Public and joint with post.

Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., January 6. President, S. J. Miller. Installing officer, Lizzie Reals. Joint with post.

Reno, No. 21, Denver, January 7. President, Lucy M. Capron. Installing officer, Mary E. Mays. Private.

Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield, January 11. President, Mary E. Roberts. Installing officer, Mary Roberts. Private.

J. W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, January 4. President, Belle Opp. Installing officer, Anna B. Leimbürger. Public and joint with post.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans, January 8. President, Miss Grace Carson. Installing officer, Gertrude Flint. Joint with post.

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa, January 9. President, Delilah Harrold. Installing officer, Amelia K. Gerteisen. Private.

George H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins, January 11. President, Ann M. St. Clair. Installing officer, I. L. Woods. Joint with post.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, Boulder, January 27. President, Delia Mulford. Installing officer, Sarah A. Rosier. Joint with post.

Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City, January 30. President, Mrs. Kate McCullough. Installing officer, Carrie F. Ashbaugh.

Elbert, No. 29, Kiowa, January 11. President Lucy Whiting. Installing officer, Olive A. Killin. Public and joint with post.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amathyst, January 25. President, Nellie McCall. Installing officer, Mary M. Scott. Public.

A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence, January 10. President, Ida Belle Higgins. Installing officer, Anna Hurst. Joint with post.

McPherson, No. 32, Longmont, January 7. President, Christina Hollister. Installing officer, Mary L. Carr. Public with post.

Kilpatrick, No. 34, La Junta, January 9. President, Sarah Chambus. Installing officer, Sarah Miller. Private.

Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada, January 11. President, Mary P. Smith. Installing officer, Fannie D. Hardin, past national secretary. Public.

E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida, January 11. President, Ella Cobleigh. Installing officer, Delia F. Buell. Joint with post.

A. E. Burnside, No. 38, Loveland, January 17. President, Ella Davison. Installing officer, Ella Davison. Private.

Pike's Peak, No. 39, Manitou, January 7. President, Mrs. Lou Baker. Installing officer, Alice Barney. Public.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver. President, Minnie Gould. Installing officer, Alice A. Easton. Public and joint with post.

Victor, No. 41, Victor, January 11. President, Grace J. Kirk. Installing officer, Anna B. Leimberger. Public and joint with post.

George Washington, No. 42, Denver, January 6. President, Helen B. Clark. Installing officer, Mary E. Damm. Public and joint with post.

Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monto Vista, January 20. President, Lizzie B. Sylvester. Installing officer, C. S. Aldrich. Private.

John C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton, January 8. President, Mrs. Dora Horton. Installing officer, Inez B. Hill. Public and joint with post.

In concluding my report, it is with thanks to you, Mrs. President, for the honor conferred by appointing me as one of your corps of officers. The work has been one of pleasure, when I think with what willingness both yourself and the department secretary have ever shown, in giving words of assistance, also of the many words of cheer and encouragement through all my failures. I regret with all my heart that I have been unable to establish any new corps.

I know, however, that I am but stepping in the footsteps of my predecessors, when I say that "Old Glory" is being crowded out by club work and other secret organizations.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

E. HELEN TIFFANY,

Department Instituting and Installing Officer.

Report of Patriotic Instructor.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., June 1, 1902.

MRS. PRESIDENT, WOMEN OF THE CONVENTION. Before presenting my report in detail I feel that some explanation is due myself regarding the irregular and seemingly unnecessary reports asked for by your patriotic instructor during the past year.

Leaving the Pueblo convention before its close I did not learn officially until some time afterwards of my appointment and after being inducted into the office I at once began to cast about for information as to my duties, only to learn that this department of our work was comparatively new and that I must use my wits as best I could, read over the two or three sentences in our rules and regulations, filling in between the lines and guess at the rest. "Modus procedure." And being of good old yankee stock, I have had ample room for displaying the above qualification.

Just at that hour of mystery and uncertainty came one of the kindest letters from Olive Killen (the sister who had preceded me in the toils) with kind offers of assistance and for her kindness I wish to thank her most sincerely.

So, taking heart, I launched forth determined to "live or die, sink or swim" in the effort to do my duty as far as I could discover it.

First I wrote a letter to the great and glorious National Standard (our official organ) asking my assistant instructors to write me personally that I might become acquainted with them and their work and had a copy sent to each corps but alas! not one answer received I. Then again I wrote but with like results.

Just at this juncture there came a letter from the national patriotic instructor asking me if I would send a report to national headquarters of my first quarter as the year closing with our department convention in April left an incomplete report for our Mrs. Carr in her own department.

"Mine not to, answer why"
Mine but to do or die."

At once I sent out the blanks, having then the new roster issued by Mrs. Johnson asking for immediate returns, and much to my delight 23 came hurrying back and the report was sent to national headquarters.

Then at the close of the year I sent out the blanks for the newly appointed instructors and much to my dismay many came back at once filled out.

Scarcely had these gone when from headquarters came the new form "V," adopted by the past national convention so I immediately sent them forth with a personal letter to each assistant asking that they be returned by June 1 as our convention came this year in that month.

Again did several of these faithful women respond all



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Past Department President.

too quickly and one dear sister anxiously wrote me asking why she had only received three blanks--where was the fourth?

Of one thing I've become assured--that at least 22 members of the department of Colorado and Wyoming can never be accused with lack of effort, and as practice makes perfect so they will be a long way on the road toward perfection at least in making out reports by the filling out of blanks.

Twenty-two corps have sent reports as follows:

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| 1. Pueblo. | 13. Aspen. |
| 2. Durango. | 14. Laramie. |
| 3. Meade corps of Denver. | 15. Cripple Creek. |
| 4. Rifle. | 16. Golden. |
| 5. Leadville. | 17. Evans. |
| 6. Cheyenne. | 18. Fort Collins. |
| 7. Gunnison. | 19. Arvada. |
| 8. Rawlins. | 20. Longmont. |
| 9. Greeley. | 21. Manitou. |
| 10. Rocky Ford. | 22. Crocker corps Denver. |
| 11. Grand Junction. | 23. Littleton. |
| 12. Fort Morgan. | 24. Colorado Springs. |

Upton corps of Pueblo gives the banner report for the year.

Mrs. L. M. Wurtz, assistant patriotic instructor, says that the W. R. C. has placed flags in 98 school rooms and in eight rooms have placed the Declaration of Independence chart, visited seven schools, and hoisted the flag during school hours. Have placed the oleograph in one room and in eight have placed the patriotic primer. Observe national holidays, citizen's Sunday. Have held patriotic contests by W. R. C., observe flag day and work has been done in humane teaching. Have formed bands of mercy.

The J. F. Reynolds corps of Cheyenne, Theresa A. Jenkins assistant instructor, comes second and reports that all schools, six in number, have been visited. All hoist the flag during school hours. In five rooms the oleograph has been placed by W. R. C., in five the patriotic primer is used, also patriotic contests are held by W. R. C. That the corps is doing good work in humane teaching. The flag salute is given in all the schools. National holidays and citizens' Sunday are observed.

Mary A. Ingersoll, assistant instructor of Meade corps, Denver, reports 46 schools in districts 1 and 2 and in South

Denver. Says the P. O. D. A. claim the work of placing flags in the schools and that the work is well done. The flag salute is given in all the schools. Patriotic contests are held and patriotic songs sung by the children, and that humane teaching is well looked after by the Humane society.

Mrs. Alice Dudley, assistant instructor of Sedgwick corps, Durango, reports all schools with flags and that patriotism is taught in the schools.

Mattie Marker, instructor for the Myron W. Reed corps of Rifle, reports one school and one large flag for the entire building. Says all the teachers are very patriotic, some teaching the children to fix their hats when they meet an old soldier.

Mrs. J. C. Paddock and Laura Corder, instructors of J. A. Garfield corps, Leadville, report six schools, three visited, in one room W. R. C. has placed the patriotic primer. Flags hoisted on special days. All six rooms have flags and all the children give flag salute.

Minnie Kingsford, assistant instructor for Caspar W. Collins corps, Rawlins, Wyo., reports ten schools and that all have been visited by instructor. In one room the W. R. C. has placed the flag and in eleven the Declaration of Independence chart has been placed. National holidays observed and patriotic contests held.

H. E. Rundle of Grand Junction corps reports that in seven rooms the flag salute is given by 350 children and in five rooms the Declaration of Independence chart is placed.

Martha L. Baker of R. A. Cameron corps, Fort Morgan, reports all school rooms have flags, the Declaration of Independence chart is in the high school.

J. M. Boehler, assistant instructor of Winfield Scott corps reports patriotism taught in all the schools; 21 rooms have flags, in 20 the flag salute is given by 1650 children. All school rooms have the Declaration of Independence chart placed and it is used in teaching.

Annie Lunan Golden, assistant patriotic instructor for Dodd corps, Golden, reports two schools, several visits made. Every school has a flag, also each school room has one. Flags hoisted on all national holidays and flag day. National holidays, citizen's Sunday, and flag day, June 11,

observed. Citizens' Sunday observed by Union services of all the churches, with a most interesting program arranged by the W. R. C. Flag day, June 11, was enthusiastically celebrated by the citizens with a picnic in the city park, patriotic speeches and songs by the school children.

Susie Carr McQuin, instructor for McPherson, Longmont; three schools, all have flags during school hours, four rooms in primary department give flag salute. Two school rooms gave entertainments on Washington's birthday. W. R. C. gave a picture of McKinley to the 8th grade.

Lida E. Fitch, assistant instructor for Custer corps, Laramie, Wyo., says much of the weather too windy to hoist the flag. Seventeen school room flags given by the school board. Humane teaching in all the school rooms.

Mrs. Mattie Armstrong, instructor for J. W. Anderson corps, Cripple Creek, reports four schools; all hoist the flag during school hours. National holidays and citizens' Sunday observed and patriotic contest held by W. R. C.

L. A. Hewett, instructor for W. T. Sherman corps of Evans, reports seven schools of which three have been visited by assistant instructor. Four hoist the flag during school hours and all have flags, observe national holidays and flag day June 11. Declaration of Independence chart placed in four rooms.

Mary R. Ralph, instructor of G. H. Thomas corps, Fort Collins, reports four schools and that in all the school rooms the flag salute is given. The Declaration of Independence chart placed in one room.

Mary R. Johnson, instructor for the Major Anderson corps, Arvada, reports three schools, all have been visited. In two, flags have been placed by W. R. C., and five have the oleograph. All national holidays and citizens' Sunday are observed.

Malania Lowther, instructor for Pike's Peak corps, Manitou, reports two schools, all have been visited. In one the flag has been placed by the W. R. C. National holidays and citizens' Sunday are observed. The superintendent of schools is quite patriotic and made an excellent address on citizens' Sunday for the Grand Army.

Louise V. Harding, instructor for Crocker corps, Denver, reports eight schools, five visited; national holiday and citizens' Sunday and flag day observed.

Ida A. Eggleston, instructor for John C. Fremont corps, Littleton, reports two schools, both hoist the flag during school hours. Six rooms have flags and in one the Declaration of Independence chart has been placed.

Jennie Sharp Parrier, instructor for Gunnison corps, reports three schools, all have been visited by W. R. C., all have flags placed by W. R. C., and national holidays and flag day are observed.

Kate E. Hannah, instructor for the U. S. Grant corps, Greeley, reports seven schools, five visited, in one, the Declaration of Independence chart has been placed by W. R. C. National holidays and flag day observed.

Delia Badger, instructor of Wadsworth corps, Rocky Ford, reports two schools, both have been visited by W. R. C., both hoist the flag during school hours. National holidays are observed.

Mrs. L. E. Collins, instructor of Colorado Springs, reports 12 schools, six have been visited by patriotic instructor. All have flags which are hoisted on national holidays and flag day. National holidays, citizens' Sunday and flag day, June 14, are enthusiastically observed generally by citizens. Patriotism taught in the public schools. Supt. Detrich, of city schools, arranged for 500 school children to take part in Memorial day exercises and himself escorted 100 boys and girls to the cemetery. The day before Memorial day this year, also the week before last, has been set apart by post 22 when several comrades have been detailed to talk to the public school children of the civil war, of its purposes and the great results wrought. This year the post invited several members of the corps to accompany the veterans and also to make short speeches, which, it is needless to say, was promptly accepted, as corps No. 4 never loses an opportunity of talking, especially of the heroic deeds and sacrifices made by the old boys who wore the blue for those four long, cruel years.

Thus closes another year of work, and in its conclusion I wish to thank our president, Mrs. Johnson, for appointing me to this office of department patriotic instructor, although very little has been accomplished of what I had hoped at the beginning of this year, still the inspiration and uplift that it has brought me will ever be a most delightful remembrance.

And to my assistants, those 22 women good and true, who have so nobly stood by me and so faithfully responded to my every call, I want to thank you all and say to each one, take heart, my sisters; another year will begin to bear fruit of your earnest work put forth, although this year has been one of confusion, caused largely by lack of knowledge and system. Remember that no effort for good is ever lost, and to all members of the convention our patriotic work must stand second to none other in our grand work of the department. Let us keep in mind that patriotism thoroughly taught to our little men and women today will be the corner stone upon which our great and beloved republic shall stand tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LAURA E. FARRAR,

Department Patriotic Instructor, Col. and Wyo.

Consolidated report of department patriotic instructor as copied from tabulated report sent to headquarters of the department of Colorado and Wyoming:

Number of schools in department represented.....	148
" " " visited.....	58
" " school rooms in which W. R. C. placed flags.....	112
" " schools that hoist flag during school hours.....	97
" " " in which the W. R. C. has placed the Declaration of Independence chart.....	41
Number of school rooms in which W. R. C. has placed the patriotic primer.....	31
Number of towns or cities observing national holidays.....	21
" " " " " citizens' Sunday.....	10
" " patriotic contests held under the direction of the W. R. C.....	6
Number of towns or cities observing flag day June 14.....	10
" " " " where humane teaching is done.....	4
How many leaflets distributed.....	0
How many Bands of Mercy formed.....	3

Report of Senior Aide.

CHEYENNE, WYO., June 1, 1902.

MRS. KATE CLATWORTHY, Dep. Secretary of Col. and Wyo.

MADAM.—In presenting to you my report as senior aide and chief of staff, I have endeavored to give briefly the conditions existing in the several corps, and some of their imperative needs.

Out of 43 corps, 34 aides were appointed, and with the assistance of these, corps secretaries and presidents, reports

have been received from 38, being the largest number ever reported, as follows:

Farragut, No. 1, Denver, reports 68 members in good standing, gained 41 by initiation, one by transfer. Lost two honorably discharged, three by death. Corps in good financial and social standing. Post and corps in harmony. Visited five corps. The corps gave a reception to our national president, Mary L. Carr, National Secretary Fannie D. W. Hardin, Department President Arabella Johnson, Department Treasurer Ida Critchell, Past Department President Laura Dodge and others, July 1, 1901. Refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed by all.

Upton, No. 2, Pueblo, reports 65 members in good standing, gained, 24 initiated, lost one by honorable discharge, two by transfer, four dropped. Five delinquent ones have paid. Corps in good condition financially and doing much relief work. Corps and post in harmony and enjoying an open meeting once a month.

Sedgwick, No. 3, Durango, reports 24 members in good standing. Gained ten by initiation. Lost one by death, one by transfer, and dropped several. Have a good prospect of several new members, and several old ones being reinstated. The best of harmony prevails between post and corps. We have a "No. 1" president, and at this time are in a better condition than for years. We have done quite a good deal of relief work.

Colorado Springs, No. 4, reports 152 members in good standing. Gained 41 by initiation, delinquents and transfers. Lost none. Post and corps in perfect harmony. Corps has an average of 60 at every meeting. Have organized a Band of Mercy for the children.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden, reports 29 members in good standing. Gained 12 by initiation, one by transfer, three by reinstatement. Lost none. Corps has done \$30, other than money, relief work. Corps and post in harmony. Have many social meetings and enjoy them. The aide is also the president since January.

Meade, No. 6, Denver, reports 73 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 41, transfer seven, re-admitted one. Lost none. Much relief work has been done. Corps and post in perfect harmony, and have held several pleasant open meetings. Have visited eight corps.

Myron W. Reed, No. 7, Rifle, reports 15 members in good standing. Gained two by initiation, lost two by suspension. There has been some discouragement and some of the members wanted to give up, but by inducements we have been held together. We now have two applications and things look brighter.

James A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville, reports 58 members in good standing. Gained seven re-initiated from suspension. Lost two from being dropped. Corps was inspected by department president. Have not received commission. Post and corps work in harmony. Some relief work has been attended to.

J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., reports 17 members in good standing. Gained by initiation ten, by transfer one. Lost one by death. Post and corps work in perfect harmony. Much relief work done. Raised in money, from March 31 to March 31, \$507.20. Expended for relief \$36.00. General fund \$301, relief \$18.95. Donated \$25 to Soldiers' home. Chair for Soldiers' home \$12.39 trees \$9.75. Turned over to the post \$25. The two organizations work in harmony. The corps holds weekly socials realizing quite a sum of money in this way.

North Fork, No. 11, reports 18 members in good standing. Gained two by initiation, lost one by death. We are an isolated corps; our nearest neighbor, Grand Junction, is 85 miles from us. I have not visited any other corps. Post and corps work in harmony. We have not needed to do relief work, but contribute to the Soldiers' home, and any other cause we are called upon. Had a fine Memorial day and are preparing for Decoration day.

Gunnison, No. 12, reports number of members in good standing 23, members received eight, number lost 0. Cash expended in relief \$30. A reception was tendered the post by the corps on the evening of memorial day because many old soldiers from other points in the county were in town. A very enjoyable time was had.

Caspar W. Collins, No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., reports 52 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 13, reinstatement three. Lost, dropped on account of leaving the state, three. Corps in good condition financially, some relief work done. Post and corps in harmony.

Veteran, No. 14, Denver, reports 79 members in good standing. Gained by initiation and re-instatement 15. Lost none, no delinquents. Have ample funds for relief work, of which we have many calls. Post and corps in perfect harmony.

U. S. Grant, No. 15, Greeley, reports 47 members in good standing, constantly taking in new members. Corps is in a flourishing and prosperous condition. Work in harmony with post. Meetings every two weeks with a goodly attendance.

Wadsworth, No. 16, Rocky Ford, reports 24 members in good standing. Have corresponded with several corps hoping to build them up; have met with no encouragement. Our own corps in a fine condition, and are expecting a grand treat when the convention shall meet with us in June. Post and corps in harmony. Have tried to be helpful in our own corps.

Grand Junction, No. 17, reports 60 members in good standing, no delinquent members. Post and corps work in perfect harmony. Have an occasional social time which all seem to enjoy. Corps composed of busy women, some of whom earn their own living, but all very interested in the work.

R. A. Cameron, No. 18, Fort Morgan, reports 42 members in good standing. Gained by initiation ten. Lost by honorable discharge one. Expended for relief in money \$20, other than money \$4. Post and corps work in perfect harmony. Corps always assisting post in every way possible on Memorial days. Have made a most healthy and substantial growth during the year.

Winfield Scott, No. 19, Aspen, reports 84 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 46. Delinquents none, lost none. Corps in good standing financially and socially. Post and corps work in harmony. Are doing much relief work.

Custer, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., reports 47 members in good standing. Corps in flourishing condition. Considerable expended for relief work. Good attendance at all meetings. Post and corps in perfect harmony.

Reno, No. 21, Denver, reports 53 members in good standing. Gained 20 by initiation. Lost three by death, one

dropped. Corps in a fairly prosperous condition. Post and corps work together in harmony. Reno corps sent to the Soldier's home at Monte Vista, Colorado, three bed comforts, value in money \$10. The commander sent us a very nice letter of thanks.

Mulligan, No. 22, Springfield, reports nine members in good standing, gained one. Lost one by transfer and one by death. Relief work, 50 cents to Andersonville and \$1 to the Soldier's home. Always observe Memorial day with appropriate services. At the request of the corps all the children take part in the patriotic services in observance of national holidays. Corps and post work together in harmony. We have a good loyal president and to her much praise is due for the courage and success of our corps. Flags are furnished by the corps for all the old soldiers graves in the cemetery.

James W. Anderson, No. 23, Cripple Creek, reports 104 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 12. Lost by delinquent and dropped 28. Corps in flourishing condition. Not much relief work to do, but ready at all times to respond to calls for relief. Post and corps in perfect harmony.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans, reports 17 members in good standing. Post and corps work in harmony. Visited one corps, attended two corps installations. The work was well done. Visited the Soldiers' and Sailors' home at Cheyenne, Wyo., and had a very pleasant time. I wish it were possible that all our members could visit these homes, and I hope they will do what they can that these homes may be furnished with all the comforts and benefits that these veterans so well deserve.

Pfeiffer, No. 25, Alamosa, reports 23 members in good standing, gained seven. Lost, honorably discharged ten, dropped one. Corps has planned for a supper for all G. A. R. families and W. R. C. families for Decoration day. Corps and post work together in harmony.

George H. Thomas, No. 26, Fort Collins, Jan. 3, 1902. Reports 57 members in good standing. Gained by initiation one, by re-instatement two. Lost by delinquent three, death two, by honorable discharge two and by suspension nine. Our financial standing is good. Post and corps work in perfect harmony. A good deal of relief work done. Tre-

ceived my commission. I am very much interested in the corps work.

Nathaniel Lyons, No. 27, Boulder, reports 100 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 18, affiliated two. Lost by honorable discharge two, death one, suspended seven, transferred four and dropped eight. Post and corps work in harmony. Relief and social work carried on. Assist G. A. R. in all funerals and Memorial days.

Ellsworth, No. 28, Central City, reports 50 members in good standing. Gained three, lost three. Amount of money in general fund \$18.51. Amount of money in relief fund \$1.15 June 30, 1901. Post and corps work in harmony. Many pleasant social times had.

Elbert County, No. 29, reports 43 members in good standing. Gained, May 1, 1901 to May 1, 1902, by initiation nine, by transfer three, by re-instatement seven. Lost by honorable discharge three, dropped one, suspended ten and transferred three. Relief work in money \$22.65, other than money \$21.40. Turned over to the post \$10. Post and corps work in harmony.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Anethyst, reports 15 members in good standing. Gained four by initiation. Lost one by honorable discharge. Have had two relief calls. Gave a ball which netted \$60. Post and corps work in harmony. There will be two members of our corps at convention.

A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence, reports 21 members in good standing. Gained two by initiation, lost two. Corps not in a very flourishing condition, hold social meetings once a month. Are preparing for a fair in the fall.

McPherson, No. 32, Longmont, reports 75 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 18. Lost 6. No delinquents for two years, a fact we are justly proud of. Relief work \$65, other than money \$25. Flag day, June 14, 1901, was observed. A very interesting program was prepared in which the children took part. A fine picture of McKinley has been presented to the school by the corps. The post and corps work in harmony, holding open meetings once a month. Finances in good condition.

Kilpatrick, No. 34, La Junta, reports 21 members in good standing. Gains, six initiated, five re-instated. Losses none. Relief work in money \$10, other than money \$5. Post

and corps harmonious. Served dinner to post Memorial day. Donated for decoration of soldiers' graves.

Major Anderson, No. 35, Arvada, reports 25 members in good standing, and sends a fine patriotic report which the senior aide forwarded to patriotic instructor. Post and corps work in harmony.

E. M. Stanton, No. 37, Salida, reports 20 members in good standing. Relations between post and corps, as well as amongst the members, are most cordial and harmonious. The corps always works peaceably and for the best interest of the order. Assisted the post at a camp fire on April 26, to which all old soldiers, their families and friends were invited. The purpose was to create more interest in Memorial time. The post has lost several members by death since the beginning of the year.

A. E. Burnside, No. 38, Loveland, reports 20 members in good standing. Gained five new members by initiation. Lost one by death. We have a method of raising money for relief work by dime socials. The president is the aide and all the members are willing helpers. Corps and post in harmony.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver, reports 49 members in good standing. Gained by initiation seven, re-instated three. Lost by transfer five, dropped two. Honorably discharged one, remitted dues four. Post and corps work together in harmony. Corps in a prosperous condition. Relief work heavy, but well seen to.

George Washington, No. 42, Denver, reports 53 members in good standing. Gained by initiation 13, re-instated one, lost none. Large amount of relief work done. Social entertainments every month. Corps in good condition. Post and corps work in harmony.

Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista, reports 39 members in good standing. Gained eight by initiation. Lost none. We have done considerable relief work, taking care of several families, one an old lady, mother of a veteran. The Home has been visited frequently by many of us. Attendance at meetings good. Post and corps work in harmony.

No report from Nos. 44 to 45.

In conclusion I would say that the year's work has been a labor of love and encouragement. Personally I visited

Evanston, Wyo., Rock Springs, Wyo., and several places where there were no corps. I found the women at Evanston anxious to have me stay and organize a corps. At Rock Springs I found a very strong sentiment toward organizing a W. R. corps. There are several old soldiers in the city and several veterans buried there. On Memorial day every organization in the city takes part in the parade. 'Tis here the state hospital is located and all graves are decorated beautifully with spruce, pine and cedar that they bring from the mountains, not a flower grows there, save a few house plants. Another point is Lander, where they have a fine post, but no corps, where work could be done. Yes, there is much to be done, and few hands to do it, but those of us who are brave enough to face the obstacles of the past ought not to faint by the wayside now, for the work is coming thicker and heavier. The veterans that are left are old and feeble. Many of their lives are sad. Let the W. R. C. come as a sunbeam to give youth and joy. Let us ever greet the old soldier with a smile of recognition. Let us not criticize, but praise. Let us cheer and cherish. Let us do all we can always for them, they who did so much for us. And if in the year just ended, your aides have done even the least little thing to encourage, help or smooth the path of even one old veteran, we are amply repaid.

To you, Mrs. President, who by your wise and judicious treatment have done so much for the cause, let me thank you for this appointment and hope that I have filled the position to your satisfaction and helped contribute to your successes.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

THERESA A. JENKINS,
Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

Report of Delegate-at-Large.

LONGMONT, COLO., June 1, 1902.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary W. R. C.

MADAM.—I find nothing definite in the rules of our order regarding the duties of the delegate-at-large, but following the long established custom, I herewith present a brief account of incidents during the week of the 19th national convention of the W. R. C., held in Cleveland the week of September 9.

In company with the national officers I left Denver on

September 4 and arrived in Chicago the following evening; the incidents of this brief journey are hardly worthy of notice. While stopping in Chicago for a few days the news of the terrible tragedy that appalled the nation came to us with a force that deadened all hopes of what we anticipated would be a week of pleasure and happiness. As we journeyed on, messages of the president's favorable condition were heard all along the route, and when we arrived in Cleveland a feeling of gladness seemed to fill every heart as encouraging words came from the physicians attending President McKinley that his life would be spared. As we passed along the streets we noticed that groups of veterans were gathered around the bulletin boards discussing the terrible deed of the assassin, and when the hopeful messages of the president's condition were read they would give vent to their feelings in hearty cheers.

The citizens of Cleveland had been many months in preparing to receive the veterans in a manner worthy of the occasion. They were glad to honor and be honored by the heroes of the war in which many of the citizens had taken an active part. The 10,000 names of soldiers who enlisted from Cuyhoga county from '61 to '65, and are inscribed on the tablets within the monument in the public square, testified to the loyalty of these people during the dark days of our nation's history.

The committees having the work of the encampment in charge had anticipated great crowds of visitors and had made ample provision for their entertainment. From early Sunday morning till late Wednesday evening thousands of veterans and visitors poured into the city.

The spacious parks, shaded with majestic trees, offered a delightful resting place for the great crowds that came for enjoyment and recreation. The whole city was swathed with patriotic colors; above the public buildings and private residences floated the national emblem while the buildings themselves were nearly hidden by festoons of tri-colored bunting. Mottoes, emblems and colored lights flashed out and added to the brilliancy of the decorations in the evening. On one of the buildings a beautiful flag of colored incandescent lights glowed, twinkled and disappeared, then flashed again, which gave it the appearance of a flag floating in the breeze. The electrical illumination in the public square was the center of attraction for thousands during the evenings. Suspended by a cable in the center of

the square was an immense globe composed of thousands of small lamps from which strings of colored incandescent lamps reached out to and were gracefully festooned between the white columns that had been placed in two rows on each side of the square. The scene was dazzlingly beautiful.

The national color of the Grand Army and Woman's Relief corps was largely used in the decorations; the great white columns that formed the court of honor through which the parade of the veterans passed, and the grand stands, were all gracefully festooned in yellow.

Tuesday, September 10, the 88th anniversary of Perry's victory on Lake Erie, was commemorated in a land parade by the Naval Veteran association, the crews from the government war vessels stationed on the lakes, the Naval Reserves from Michigan and Ohio and the ex-prisoners of war. This was one of the most interesting events of the week. On Wednesday was the great parade of the veterans of the war of 40 years ago. There was nothing different or unusual from the parades of former years; it was estimated that there were 25,000 in line; some of these swung along with the vigorous step of youth, others feeble and bent with age, some leaning on crutch and cane, yet anxious to march past the reviewing stand and salute the commander-in-chief.

Thousands of spectators were upon the stands, lined the walks, filled the windows and sat upon the roofs of buildings and cheered these gray haired veterans as they passed. Many of the departments carried the old tattered battle flags wound carefully around the staff and covered with net. As the flags appeared in view men stood in silent reverence with uncovered heads; tear dimmed eyes told how dear were these sacred relics of many a hard fought field.

At the head of the street beyond the grand stand was the living flag of 2,000 children and as the veterans passed, the children sang patriotic songs, and as those representing the different stripes would alternate in rising it presented the appearance of a waving flag. This was very pleasing to the old veterans and they cheered again and again as they passed.

The march was well planned and the parade was less tiresome to the veterans than those of former years, as the opportunity was given them to rest on the well shaded lawns along the line of march, until it was time to fall into the places assigned them in the parade. There can be no

more long marches for these veterans; many of them are bent with age and enfeebled with disease and the parade, however brief, becomes tiresome.

The national headquarters of the Woman's Relief corps were established at The Hollenden, one of the largest and most commodious hotels in the city. The reception committee appointed to receive visitors was promptly on hand early on Monday and rendered valuable service.

The national convention of the Woman's Relief corps opened in the First M. E. church Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The church was one of the oldest in the city, a gallery running around the entire building which afforded ample room for the visiting members. Like many of our public buildings its acoustic properties were poor and it was almost impossible to hear any of the speakers on the platform, in the back part of the room. The decorations of the church were a profusion of flags with bunting in the national color festooned along the front of the gallery from which hung silken banners bearing mottoes.

There was a buoyancy of feeling among the members when the convention opened, as the morning bulletin had announced that the president was recovering.

The report on the work of the convention would be too lengthy for a paper like this and as the published proceedings have been forwarded to all permanent representatives of the national convention, department officers, delegates and corps presidents, all who desire can avail themselves of the opportunity of reading the full account as published and it will be unnecessary for me to speak further of the work.

Department President Mrs. Johnson, Senior Vice President Mrs. Killin, Department Treasurer Mrs. Critchell, Past Department Presidents, Mary Jewett Telford, Alice M. Seeds and every delegate—a fact worthy of note—from the department of Colorado were present when the convention was called to order and were constant in attendance during the entire session. National Aide Martha W. Evans was also present and discharged her duty faithfully. Past Department S. V. P. Camilla Fair Maltbey and Past President Emma Ormsby of Colorado Springs corps were among the visiting members.

The reception given by the National Woman's Relief Corps to the Commander-in-Chief, Leo Rassieur, in the Chamber of Commerce, was one of the pleasant events of

the week. The great hall was an ideal place for a reception; brilliantly illuminated with hundreds of electric lights and gay with drapings of national colors. There was ample room for the thousands who paid their respects to the national officers, and there was no difficulty in moving in or out of the great auditorium.

Delightful receptions were given by many of the departments at their headquarters during the week; this exchange of courtesies has become one of the features of convention week and adds much to the social enjoyment.

Colorado and Wyoming entertained on Wednesday evening in the parlors of The Hollenden in honor of the national president and national secretary. Our own department president, Arabella Johnson and staff, and National Treasurer Sarah E. Phillips, assisted by Department Commander Sherman and staff formed the receiving line. A genuine surprise was given the two national officers when Commander Sherman, in an eloquent speech, presented the national president with a handsome silver pie knife given by department officers, and a collection of souvenir spoons from the various corps in the department. A beautiful chatelaine bag was presented the national secretary from the department and a cut glass rose bowl, silver tray, exquisite piece of embroidery from her own corps, Meade of Denver. Giving seemed to be the order of the hour as the national secretary presented a cut glass berry dish to the national president and a handsomely embossed copy of Colorado views to the national treasurer. The arrangements for these presentations had been made in order to avoid taking up time which is usually given to such things in a national convention. The appreciative words of the recipients of the gifts evidenced the warm friendship for those in the home department.

The committee had arranged for President McKinley to hold a reception in the Chamber of Commerce on Thursday evening where he could receive his comrades; the tragic occurrence of September 6 changed all this, and on the evening on which he was to have been present a meeting was held at the Central Armory for thanksgiving and praise for his recovery, which at that time seemed to be of but little doubt. The noted speakers of the evening were intimate friends of the president and paid him many tributes of respect and love, and spoke such assuring words of his recovery that a feeling of joyousness seemed to fill all

hearts. A few hours later and these friends were hastening to his bedside; a change for the worse had suddenly taken place and the physicians were fearful of the result. The news on Friday morning had a depressing influence on all. The encampment of the Grand Army elected its officers, placed all business in the hands of the council and immediately adjourned. The national convention of the W. R. C. continued its work with saddened hearts. Late in the afternoon a message came to the national president announcing the death of President McKinley. As it was repeated to the convention a low moan broke from the lips of all; members gave vent to their feelings in sobs and tears. The strain was intense when the deep and thrilling words of prayer from Past Department President Maxon brought a feeling of calmness to all. Though this message of his death proved untrue all felt that the end was near. The convention hurriedly closed its work and the officers were installed in the evening with little ceremony. As we waited at a late hour for the last sad news in our rooms at the hotel the tolling bells sounded the dread tidings that the end had come.

The newly elected and retiring national president were delegated by the convention in case of President McKinley's death to attend the funeral ceremonies at Canton. Past National Presidents Mary L. Carr, Emma Stark Hampton, Past National Treasurer Isabelle Bagley represented the Order at the funeral. A beautiful wreath of palms and yellow roses tied with royal purple ribbon was the tribute of love and respect from the Woman's Relief corps.

The early dawn following the close of the convention found the massive white columns around the public square and down the Court of Honor heavily draped in black and on many of the buildings where that week had hung the glowing colors of our order intermingled with the national colors, the picture of the dead president was placed heavily draped in black; flags that floated high in the air in honor of the great gathering of the veterans hung at half mast for the martyred soldier president, and the city that only a week before had welcomed with royal acclaim the great patriotic hosts, and proud to honor the chief executive of the nation, was bowed in grief.

Sincerely yours in F., C. and L.,

SUSIE CARR MCGWIRE,

Delegate-at-Large.

Report of Department Press Correspondent.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Department Secretary.

DEAR MADAM: In accordance with rules and regulations, I cheerfully submit this report:

To be truly and well equipped to meet the demands of press correspondent requires wisdom and tact.

To know what to say, so as not to become tiresome, means a careful preparation for and large experience in the work.

It was my pleasure and privilege to write a history of the W. R. C. of this department for a century chest which Colorado Springs had dedicated and placed in Colburn library, to be opened in the year 2000. I thought it only proper that the W. R. C. then, should know something of the women that comprise our order now, for there will be a W. R. corps in 2000.

True, the grand army will have gathered round that last eternal camp fire; aye, too, the mothers, wives and daughters will have crossed the Stygian waters, but the noble, loyal women of today will be the grand, loyal women of tomorrow; for the patriotism the W. R. C. is instilling in the public schools, and to the coming generation, can never die, and down the labyrinth of ages, will have the same resounding ring, echoing back the praises for, the sacrifices and noble deeds done, in behalf of our country's defenders.

True heroines, indeed your names will go down in history with those of Molly Stark and Molly Pitcher of revolutionary fame. I have sent communications to the National Standard, National Tribune, Searchlight and Press Correspondent, nearly all appearing in print.

The work of the year has not been done as well as I had wished for, owing to so small a number of corps reporting or sending reports too late, waiting until it becomes stale and considered too old for publication.

Let me urge corps correspondents to be prompt in reporting items. Make your correspondence short and to the point. There is a lack of interest in this line of work that should not be. Let us be zealous in all departments and remember that the department press correspondent can not do her duty without your aid.

For the benefit of future correspondents I offer the following resolution:

That corps press correspondents be required to furnish items within five days of happening.

I wish to thank corps press correspondents for their assistance, and you, Mrs. President, for my appointment.

Sincerely yours in F., C. and L.,

STELLA A. KYLE,
Department Press Correspondent.

Report of Department Relief Committee.

DENVER, COLO., June 1, 1902.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Dep. Secretary. W. R. C.

As chairman of department of relief of the W. R. C., auxiliary to the G. A. R., I have the honor to submit the following report:

The tabulated statement shows the amount of relief done during the year from April 27, 1901, to April 27, 1902.

Received from Ida Critchell, department treasurer, the following sums:

MONEYS RECEIVED.

April 29.....	\$ 10 00
May 14.....	15 00
May 14.....	20 00
September 4.....	15 00
October 16.....	30 00
February 4.....	10 00
Total.....	\$100 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

1901

April 24, comrade's family, medicine and rent.....	\$ 3 00
April 26, comrade's family toward transpor'n....	2 75
May 1, funeral exp'n's comrade's wife and child.....	1 00
May 18, soldier's family, coal and groceries.....	1 50
May 23, soldier's family, medicine and shoes.....	2 50
June 5, crutches for comrade.....	2 00
June 10, medicine and rent for sick comrade.....	2 50
June 25, transportation for soldier's orphans.....	5 00
July 2, meals for a comrade.....	50
July 15, son of a veteran, medicine.....	50
July 20, soldier's family, medicine.....	2 00
July 22, transportation soldier's widow.....	4 00
July 27, meals for sick comrade.....	2 50
July 31, soldier's orphans, shoes and stockings.....	1 50
August 10, soldier's widow, rent and groceries.....	3 00
August 20, toward funeral of soldier's widow.....	2 00
September 1, toward transp'r't'n for a comrade.....	2 00
September 11, bandage and druggist supplies for soldier's widow.....	3 00
September 25, transp'r'tion soldier's daughter.....	2 00
October 7, toward funeral of a comrade.....	2 00
October 10, soldier's family, medicine.....	2 00

October 12, soldier's family, coal and groceries.....	2 00
October 21, transpor. soldier's widow and child.....	7 00
Nov. 1, comrade and wife, groceries.....	1 00
Nov. 11, sick comrade, meals and hose.....	2 00
Nov. 20, funeral of a soldier's orphan.....	3 00
Feb. 5, transportation soldier's widow.....	2 00
Dec. 18, son and daughter of vet., coal and rent.....	3 00
Dec. 23, soldier's family, medi. and groceries.....	2 50
Dec. 30, coal for comrade's family.....	1 00

1902.

January 7, to apply on funeral, soldier's widow.....	2 00
Jan. 20, soldier's orphans, coal and groceries.....	2 00
Feb. 4, to Martha Evans, a member of department relief committee, for use of a comrade.....	2 00
Feb. 12, to apply on funeral of a comrade's child.....	5 00
Feb. 27, soldier's family, coal and medicine.....	2 00
March 5, sick comrade, medicine.....	1 00
March 25, to apply on funeral comrade's wife.....	3 00
March 31, medicine comrade's wife.....	1 00
April 9, to apply on funeral of comrade's child.....	3 00
April 19, to apply on funeral of soldier's widow.....	3 00

Total cash expended from relief fund for relief.....	\$ 97 75
Car fare and postage.....	2 25

Cash total.....\$100 00

Other than money.....	38 00
Number in families assisted, 72.	
Number of visits made, 95.	

Cash donated from the different relief corps of Denver, in extreme cases, during the year, is as follows:

Farragut, No. 1.....	\$ 5 00
George S. Meade.....	7 00
Veteran.....	7 00
Crocker.....	6 00
Reno.....	6 00
Washington.....	5 00

Total.....	36 00
	\$100 00

Total cash expended by relief committee..\$136 00

And now, Mrs. President, should our relationship cease here as associate officers, I shall ever cherish the memory of the harmony and friendship which has been so marked during the year, and I bid you God-speed in the noble work in which you are engaged.

Many times, after being out to investigate cases of relief that had been reported to me, I would feel so weary I

would think that I would give up the work to some one that had not served in relief corps work for 19 years, but after attending the memorial services and looking about me and seeing so many infirm steps and white heads, I asked myself the question, where can I stop? It will not be for many years, and I feel if other hands grown weary, and other hearts grow cold, in our grand work of caring for him who braved all for us, and to provide for the widows and orphans of our heroic dead, should be incentive enough to the W. R. C. to always command our best and highest energies.

Recommendation No. 1. - I would recommend that the amount expended for a present for department president be reduced from \$50 to \$25.

DENVER COLO, June 9, 1902.

Supplementary report of relief done from April 27, 1902, to June 9, 1902:

Received from Ida Critchell, department treasurer, May 16.....	\$10 00
Same, June 5.....	10 00
Same, June 5.....	20 00

EXPENDED.

April 25, to apply on funeral of son of veteran..	5 00
May 2, transportation soldier's corpse to Omaha	5 00
May 10, meals for a sick comrade.....	1 50
May 10, to Martha Evans, a member of the relief committee, for use of a comrade.....	2 00
May 20, groceries and shoes for soldier's widow and children.....	1 50
June 3, to apply on funeral of soldier's widow..	5 00

Total.....\$20 00

Respectfully submitted in F. C. L.,

JENNIE MCGILL,

Chairman of Department Relief.

Report of Auditing Committee.

DENVER, COLO., May 30, 1902.

MRS. ARABELLA C. JOHNSON, Department President, W. R. C.

The auditing committee respectfully submits its report for the 18th annual convention.

In company with Mrs. Margaretta Kauffmann, (since deceased) we examined carefully all books, accounts, bills and

vouchers of the department treasurer and secretary on the following dates:

July 19 and November 1, 1901, and January 16, 1902. And again on April 18, 1902, in company with the newly elected member, Mrs. Carrie Coggshall, and find them correct, and all work properly done.

The system adopted by the department treasurer in accounting for postage received, we heartily endorse, as it is a great improvement over former systems.

We wish to commend the administration, and congratulate the department on the very economical and business-like manner in which the affairs of the department have been conducted.

June 7 the books were again audited by Mrs. Carrie Coggshall and myself and found correct to date.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

MINNIE L. BENSON.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT: I beg leave to submit the following report on Soldiers' and Sailors' homes in Colorado and Wyoming:

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS COLORADO HOME.		Dr.
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	7 00	
R. A. Cameron, No. 18.....	5 00	
Veteran, No. 14.....	10 00	
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	10 00	
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	3 00	
M. M. Crocker, No. 40.....	3 00	
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	2 50	
Farragut, No. 1.....	1 00	
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	5 00	

\$46 50

WYOMING HOME.

C. W. Collins, No. 13.....	20 00
Farragut, No. 1.....	1 00
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	1 50
R. A. Cameron, No. 18.....	5 00
Custer, No. 20.....	25 00
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	5 00
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9.....	25 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	3 00

\$85 50

	Cr.
Cash to Col. Stitzer, Cheyenne, Wyo.....	83 00

Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. 71

Subscription to magazines, Cheyenne, Wy.. 2 50

\$85 50

Cash to Col. Shaw, Monte Vista..... 32 00

Subscriptions to magazines, Monte Vista... 14 50

\$46 50

DONATIONS OTHER THAN MONEY TO HOME AT MONTE VISTA.

Comforts, Reno 21..... 10 00

Comforts, R. A. Cameron, No. 18..... 2 00

Chairs and cushions, Upton, No. 2..... 9 00

21 00

WYOMING HOME.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, comforts..... 4 00

R. A. Cameron, No 18, comforts..... 2 00

6 00

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

IDA CRITHELL,

Department Treasurer.

SPECIAL FUNDS.

DR.

National council of women..... 1 00

Memorial day in the South..... 37 50

Monument fund to loyal women, '61 to '65.. 9 45

Andersonville prison fund..... 16 60

Soldiers' and Sailors' homes, Colorado..... 46 50

Same at Wyoming..... 85 50

McKinley monument fund..... 3 38

190 93

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To national treasurer for national council of women..... 1 00

To national treas'r for Mem. day in South. 37 50

To nat. treasurer for monu. to loyal women of 1861 to 1865..... 9 45

To nat. treas. for Andersonville prison fund 16 60

To dep. treas. for Sols' and Sailors' homes of Colorado..... 46 50

To department treasurer for Soldiers' and Sailors' homes, Wyo..... 85 50

To national treasurer for McKinley Memorial fund..... 3 38

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Convention Proceedings.

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The secretary read the following committees:

President's Address—Fannie D. Hardin, No. 6; S. J. Miller, No. 29; M. L. Jennings, No. 13.

Senior Vice President's Report—Alice Ditson, No. 1; Delia Mulford, No. 27; Fannie Ames, No. 6.

Secretary's Report—Lucy M. Campbell, No. 40; Sarah Davis, No. 26; Alice Galliher, No. 11.

Treasurer's Report—Laura E. Farrar, No. 4; Emma Godding, No. 6; Sarah V. Pridmore, No. 14.

Chaplain's Report—Lydia A. Ellison, No. 4; Bacia Grebe, No. 29; Mary A. Clark, No. 40.

Counselor's Report—Belle Opp, No. 23; Lettie Capell, No. 4; Lillie Inman, No. 2.

Inspector's Report—Sybil Watson, No. 2; Annie Sanborn, No. 15; Annie Leimberger, No. 23.

I. and I. Officer's Report—Hattie Lewis, No. 28; Kittie Appleman, No. 20; Mattie Stewart, No. 5.

Patriotic Instructor's Report—Anna Ohnhaus, No. 8; Delia Buell, No. 37; Sarah A. Rosier, No. 27.

Press Correspondent's Report—Jennie McGill, No. 1; Annie Benton, No. 1.

Report of Chairman of Department Relief—Lena Benchner, No. 8; Alice Galliher, No. 11; Emma D. Adams, No. 27.

Chief Aide's Report—Sadie M. Fisher, No. 9; Georgia William's, No. 23; Nellie McCall, No. 30.

The committee on the destruction of obsolete matter in department treasurer's office reported and report referred to the committee on treasurer's report.

A pleasant interruption to the routine of business here occurred in the presentation to Arabella C. Johnson, department president, by the senior vice president, Olive A. Killin, on behalf of the department, of a handsome gold badge with diamond setting. She said:

"Mrs. President—I would like to convey to you, if I could find a fitting expression, the appreciation and love of the members of this department.

"We tender our grateful acknowledgment for your uniform and considerate kindness to us while laboring with the important duties of the office which you now occupy. You have been unswerving in your loyalty to duty, efficient, and always at your post.

"We therefore ask you to accept this badge of our order as a token of the love and esteem we bear you."

Mrs. Johnson responded with heartfelt thanks.

Mrs. Ida Hickox, in presenting Mrs. Johnson with a

beautiful gavel in the form of a cantaloupe from Wadsworth Corps No. 16, said:

"Mrs. President—Another convention year has rolled around with its sorrows as well as its pleasures and we are once again permitted to renew acquaintances and friendship, as well as to transact the business of the department of which you have proven such an efficient member.

"We, the members of Wadsworth Corps, appreciate your efforts to strengthen our corps by your words of encouragement and counsel.

"Last year when the convention was assigned to Rocky Ford, the question was asked, 'Will you have cantaloupes?' and the answer was, 'Yes, most assuredly.' So in behalf of Wadsworth Corps No. 16, I present you one and when viewing it, my dear sister, may it remind you of our love for you, which will be as lasting and sweet as the famous cantaloupe which it represents, which has not only refreshed our own tastes, but of those both far and near.

"Long live our noble president, and may her life among us as department president be ever remembered."

Mrs. Johnson thanked Wadsworth Corps for their beautiful present.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hardin, No. 6, and seconded by Mrs. Seeds, No. 23, that the thanks of this convention be given Sarah E. Phillips, national secretary, for her interest and care in the selection of a testimonial for our president, and her message of greeting to the convention.

This motion was carried.

The secretary read a touching letter from Mrs. L. C. Dwinell, past department president, in which, after wishing the convention a successful session and regretting her inability to be present, she expressed the hope that her soldier son, who has recently died in the Philippines may, by the time of another convention, rest by the side of her soldier husband. This letter was referred to the committee on courtesies and telegrams.

Mrs. Hardin conveyed the good wishes of Mrs. Laura Dodge, past department president, to the convention.

Convention then adjourned to meet at 1:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY- AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by the department president at 1:30 p. m.

Conductors found all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The following committees were appointed by the president to visit the various orders now assembled in convention at Rocky Ford:

To visit G. A. R.—All past department presidents and Emily H. Jones, No. 15.

To Sons of Veterans—Jennie McGill, Matilda Hotchkiss, Minnie L. Benson, Susie Carr McGwire.

To Ladies' Aid Society—Olive Killin, Jennie McGill, Irene Cowie.

To Ladies of G. A. R.—Theresa A. Jenkins, Laura Farrar, Emma D. Adams.

A motion made by Mrs. Hardin and seconded by Mrs. Johnson of No. 8, that telegrams or letters be sent past national presidents, past department presidents, etc., E. B. Stillings in response to greetings, was carried.

A committee from the Ladies' Aid, consisting of Miss Freeman and Mesdames Whitney, Abbott and Hughes, were introduced and conveyed friendly greetings from their society.

Comrade Marsh of Meade post was introduced, and said: "Mrs. President and Ladies of the Greatest Organization in the World—I am authorized to say to you that the next convention will meet in Cheyenne by unanimous vote of the Encampment."

He then spoke of a paper he proposed publishing in the interests of the G. A. R. organizations, and asked that it be made the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Secretary then read the report of counselor, also that of I. and I. officer. These were referred to the proper committees.

The report of patriotic instructor was read by that officer and was most interesting. She laid great stress upon the part the children were taking, and showed that there was a gratifying interest generally in the work. The report was referred to the proper committee.

The following resolution was read by the secretary:

Whereas, One of the foremost objects of the Woman's Relief Corps is the inculcating of patriotic principles in the coming generation by means of the schools, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we recognize the great assistance in the furtherance of this object rendered by Mrs. Helen R. Grenfel, state superintendent of public instruction, and

tender to her the earnest and hearty thanks of the 18th Annual Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to the G. A. R., for the publication and distribution of the books entitled "The Birthdays of Washington and Lincoln and 'Memorial' Day," which have materially aided the work of patriotic instruction in which we are so strongly interested;

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of this convention and a copy be forwarded to Mrs. Grenfel.

This was referred to the committee on resolutions.

Mrs. Minnie L. Benson, chairman of auditing committee, made her report.

Mrs. Jennie McGill, as chairman of the committee on department relief, made her report, which was referred to its committee.

A motion was made by Mrs. Clatworthy, seconded by Mrs. Stephenson, that, as Mulligan Corps No. 22, of Springfield—having never been represented in convention before—has sent both delegate and alternate, Norvelia Van Orsdol, the alternate, be given a seat in this convention.

Carried.

A committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R., Mesdames Patrick, Fical and McClimot, were introduced and saluted. Mrs. Patrick said:

"We come as sisters of sister organizations, members of the same family, living in different rooms of the same house, working for the same object. Thanking you for the help given our dear ones, and with good wishes for the future, we will retire."

A committee from the G. A. R. followed. This included Comrades Biggs of Durango, Sawyer of Boulder and Critchell of Denver.

Comrade Biggs said:

"Mrs. President and Ladies—It gives me great pleasure to visit you for the first time in this capacity. I desire to say for our Encampment that we honor you for the assistance rendered in days gone by. Comfort bags were sent from mothers and sisters where little comfort was expected. We thank you for helping to keep alive our organization."

Comrade Sawyer said that he appeared, captured by the picket. He would not have been captured had not five been sent for three. "You have always had a warm place in my heart and I cannot help but feel that the Relief Corps is the same today as it was yesterday."

Comrade Critchell said:

"I am the 'kid' of the occasion. My comrades have said all that they know and all that I can say, so, leaving you with their thoughts and my thanks, I'll close."

Therese A. Jenkins made her report as chief aide.

The secretary read the report of department press correspondent.

These reports were referred to their committees.

The excellent and eloquent report of the delegate-at-large was the final one presented the convention.

Mrs. Mary L. Carr made a few grateful and appreciative remarks in thanking corps for the gifts made her at the National Convention. She said that she had been the envy of many when displaying the souvenir spoons presented.

The committee on secretary's report read the following:

Mrs. President and Members of the 18th Department Convention: We your committee on secretary's report, have carefully examined the same and find that she has conscientiously performed her duties and heartily commend her on her excellent report, and approve her recommendation to the National Convention, which is as follows: That corps treasurer's blanks be placed on the list of free blanks.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,

ALICE A. GALLHER,

SARAH L. DAVIS.

A motion was made by Susie McGwire and seconded by Jennie McGill that the report be adopted.

Carried.

The chairman of the committee on second vice president's report read:

To the President and Ladies of the Convention: We, the committee, heartily recommend the adoption of the second vice president's report.

Yours in F., C. and L.

ALICE DITSON,

DELIA MULFORD,

FANNIE AMES.

A motion made by Emily H. Jones, seconded by Lydia Young, that the report be adopted was carried.

The committee on counselor's report made the following report:

Mrs. President: Your committee read the report of the counselor and commend her for the interest taken in the

work of our order and take pleasure in recommending the adoption of the report.

BELLE OPP,
LETTIE CAPELL,
LILLIE INMAN.

Motion by Mrs. McGwire seconded by Mrs. Springer, that the report be adopted. Carried.

The report of committee on patriotic instructor's report was received and read.

Mrs. Arabella Johnson, President W. R. C., and Members: We, your committee on the report of the patriotic instructor, after listening to and carefully examining the same, heartily endorse every word and trust we may all profit by it and be zealous in the work.

ANNA OHNHAUZ,
DELIA BUELL,
SARAH ROSIER.

A motion was made by Mrs. Killin, seconded by Mrs. Gilbertson, that this report be adopted. Carried.

Committee on Chaplain's report read:

We, your committee on chaplain's report recommend its adoption as a whole.

LYDIA ELLISON,
BACIA GREBE,
MARY A. CLARK.

Mrs. Ames, seconded by Mrs. Capell, moved the adoption of the report.

Motion carried.

The committee on inspector's report read:

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Convention: Having read and examined your inspector's report, we heartily commend her for her work and endorse her recommendation for longer blanks.

Yours in F., C. and L.

SYBIL WATSON,
ANNIE B. SANBORN,
ANNIE LEIMBERGER.

A motion made by Mrs. Capell, seconded by Mrs. Ellison, that the report be adopted was carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McGwire, that election of officers be made the first order of business for Thursday morning.

Committee on I. and I. officer's report reported as follows:

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Convention: We, your

committee, have examined the report and recommend that it be adopted.

Yours in F., C. and L.

HATTIE LEWIS,

KITTIE APPLEMAN,

MATTIE STEWART.

Moved by Mrs. Inman, seconded by Mrs. Allen, that it be adopted.

Carried.

Committee on report of chairman of department relief made a report which, upon motion of Mrs. McGwire, seconded by Miss Fisher, was referred back to the committee for further consideration of the recommendation.

The chairman of the committee on treasurer's report read the following:

Mrs. President: Your committee appointed on treasurer's report, also the report of the committee for destroying all obsolete matter in the treasurer's care, would submit the following: The treasurer's report has been examined and found correct; we would therefore recommend its adoption with recommendations 1 and 2.

Recommendation No. 3, that "the banner be not carried to each convention," your committee would most respectfully disapprove, believing that as long as the convention is held throughout the department it should ever be accompanied by its emblem.

Further, your committee, on examining report of the committee employed to destroy obsolete matter in treasurer's office, believing that said committee have complied with all requirements of the department president, would therefore recommend its adoption.

Respectfully in F., C. and L.

LAURA E. FARRAR,

EMMA A. GODDING,

SARAH V. PRIDMORE.

Motion by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, that recommendation No. 1 be adopted.

Carried.

Motion by Mrs. Benson, seconded by Mrs. Sybil Watson, that recommendation No. 2 be adopted. After discussion, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that resolution No. 3 be adopted. After discussion, the motion was lost.

Moved by Sybil Watson, seconded by Mrs. Allen, that

Farragut Corps, No. 1, be made custodian of our department banner. Motion lost.

A motion was made by Mrs. McGwire, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that the report of the committee on treasurer's report be adopted with the exception of the third recommendation.

Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Allen, that we adjourn until 9:00 o'clock Thursday morning.

Carried.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Convention called to order at 9:00 a. m. by the department president.

Members stood and repeated the Lord's Prayer, lead by Madaline Sloan, department chaplain.

Singing of opening ode.

The conductor escorted to the platform, and president introduced Josie Smart and Novelia Van Orsdol, delegates from Mulligan Corps, No. 22, as the first representatives from this corps to any convention, and as having come sixty miles by stage to attend.

The organist and color-bearers from No. 18 were also introduced.

The minutes of council meeting of June 10, 1902, were read, and on motion of Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Pridmore, were adopted.

Minutes of yesterday morning's session of the convention read, and a motion by Mrs. Nealy, seconded by Mrs. Inman, that they be adopted, was carried.

Minutes of yesterday afternoon's session read. Moved by Mrs. Johnson of No. 8, seconded by Mrs. Yeates, that they be adopted.

Motion carried.

Roll call showed ninety-six delegates present.

Election of officers announced to be the first order of business.

Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Ellison and Mrs. Young were appointed tellers.

Mrs. Carr, in a very eloquent manner, nominated Mrs. Emily H. Jones, of U. S. Grant Corps, No. 15, for president. Seconded by Fannie D. Hardin, McPherson Corps, R. A. Cameron Corps, and many others.

Theresa A. Jenkins, of J. F. Reynolds Corps, No. 9, was nominated by Jennie McGill, seconded by Mrs. Adams, Miss Sadie Fisher, and many others.

A committee from the G. A. R., Commander-Elect Huff, J. V. Commander-Elect Millette and Comrade Mingay, were received.

Comrade Huff said that Comrade Mingay had a story to tell. Comrade Mingay said it would be the shortest story ever told; that the chairman should do the talking. Comrade Mellett said that many posts would not be in existence if it were not for the Woman's Relief Corps. Comrade Huff said in part, that he enlisted at 16 and served three years. By the grace of the Grand Commander, he, more fortunate than many, was enabled to return to his home and friends, and later became a Grand Army man. "There is more in the words 'Grand Army man' than at first appears. It would be almost criminal not to be true men. Appreciating all that you have done, can do and will do, you will never be called upon to help a pauper Grand Army man; the government has provided for these. I ask that the boys at the soldiers' home be remembered those who are at the station waiting for the train to take them home. I pledge support to the Relief Corps during my administration. I wish to invite the relief corps to join in a public installation this afternoon, at a time most convenient."

Mrs. Johnson, in pinning our badge upon Comrade Huff, hoped that in time he might see one on his wife.

Tellers reported 86 votes cast for president. Emily H. Jones, 59; Theresa A. Jenkins, 27. Mrs. Jones, receiving a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected.

Mrs. Fairchild of No. 1, nominated Mrs. Minnie L. Benson of No. 1 for senior vice president. Seconded by Olive Killin, Mrs. Campbell and Sadie M. Fisher in the name of the Wyoming corps.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by many, that nominations for second vice president be closed and that secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Benson. This was done and president declared her elected.

Mrs. McGwire nominated Mrs. Delia Mulford of No. 27, for junior vice president. Seconded by Mrs. Killin, Mrs. Cowie, and others.

Mrs. Farrar nominated Mrs. Mummah of No. 4. Seconded by Mrs. Opp and others.

Report of chairman on report of department relief.

Mrs. President: Your committee on the report of the chairman of department relief beg leave to submit the following:

We find it to be an itemized, economical and conscientious expenditure of the relief fund.

Recommendation No. 1, which follows, approved by the committee:

"I would recommend that the amount expended for a present for department president be reduced from \$50.00 to \$25.00."

Respectfully submitted,

LENA BEUCHNER,
ALICE GALLIER,
EMMA D. ADAMS.

Moved by Mrs. Farrar, seconded by Mrs. Buell, that the report be adopted.

Carried.

Tellers reported result of ballot. Votes cast, 86. Delia Mulford, 62; Mrs. Munnah, 24. Mrs. Mulford was declared elected.

Mrs. Farrar nominated Ida Critchell for treasurer. Seconded by Mesdames Campbell, Clatworthy, Stephenson, and others. Mrs. Ellison, seconded by Mrs. Inman, moved that the nominations be closed and the secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Critchell. Carried and secretary cast ballot. Mrs. Critchell declared elected treasurer.

Mrs. Hardin nominated Mrs. Sybil Watson for chaplain. Seconded by Mesdames McGill, Critchell, McGwire and many others.

Motion by Mrs. Ellison, seconded by Mrs. McGwire, that election be made unanimous in favor of Sybil Watson. Carried and secretary cast the ballot. President declared Mrs. Watson elected chaplain.

Mrs. Critchell nominated Mrs. McGwire as first member of the executive board. Seconded by Mrs. McGill.

Mrs. Seeds nominated Mrs. Jenkins. Seconded by Mrs. Stephenson and many others.

Mrs. Angie Johnson nominated Mrs. Hickox. Seconded by Mrs. Guthrie.

Ballot closed and tellers retired.

Senior vice president took the chair and committee on president's report received. Chairman read:

Mrs. President and Members of the 18th Department Convention: This committee have carefully examined the

address of the department president, and wish to commend her untiring zeal and loyalty to the cause.

We congratulate the department on the excellent showing in membership, as well as upon the great advancement in the growth of patriotism as evidenced in her report.

Recommendation No. 1 approved by the committee.

Recommendation No. 2 approved by the committee.

Recommendation No. 3. We fully appreciate the benefit that would arise from the carrying out of this recommendation, but we cannot fully endorse the same, owing to the expense and the low condition of our funds—that it be left optional with the incoming president.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

FANNIE D. W. HARDIN,

S. J. MILLER,

M. L. JENNINGS.

Motion by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Capell, that the report be adopted and that the resolutions be taken up separately.

Carried.

Motion that report of committee on resolution No. 1 be adopted made by Mrs. Jenkins, seconded by Mrs. Ames. This was carried.

Motion by Mrs. Benson, seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, that report of committee on resolution No. 2 be adopted, was carried.

A motion made by Mrs. Burr, seconded by Mrs. Ditson that report of committee on resolution No. 3 be adopted, was lost.

Tellers reported. Votes cast, 76. Mrs. Jenkins, 66; Mrs. Hickox, 10. President declared Mrs. Jenkins elected first member of executive board.

Mrs. Farrar nominated Mrs. Capell as second member of executive board. Seconded by Mrs. Sawyer.

Moved by Mrs. Farrar that nominations be closed and secretary cast the ballot of convention for Mrs. Capell. Carried, secretary cast the ballot as instructed. Mrs. Capell declared elected second member.

Sadie M. Fisher nominated Jennie McGill as third member of the executive board. Seconded by Mrs. Springer.

Emily Jones nominated Mrs. B. D. Harper of No. 15, for third member. Seconded by Mesdames Carr, Stephenson, Hotchkiss and others.

Comrade Marsh was introduced and presented the pres-

ident with a bouquet from the Printer's Home of Colorado Springs.

Tellers reported 83 votes cast. Mrs. Harper 55, McGill, 27, McGwire 1. Mrs. Harper was declared elected.

Mrs. Jenkins nominated as fourth member of the executive board, Jennie McGill. Seconded by Mrs. Springer and others. Moved by Mrs. Capell that nominations be closed and secretary cast the convention ballot for Mrs. McGill. Carried, and ballot so cast. President announced the election of Mrs. McGill.

A committee from the Sons of Veterans arrived, consisting of Commander Omstead, Commander-elect Taylor, Comrades Duckworth, Van Fossen, Lenot and French, and received the hearty congratulations of the convention. Comrade Van Fossen being a returned Phillippine soldier, received a special salute.

As fifth member of the executive board Mrs. Mulford nominated Mrs. McGwire. Mrs. Cowie seconded this. The nomination was made unanimous and secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. McGwire. President declared Mrs. McGwire elected fifth member of board.

Mrs. Hardin moved that a telegram of sympathy be sent Comrade Stoddard of the Elbert County Post in the loss of his wife, which sad event occurred since the convening of this session. Seconded by Olive Killin and carried unanimously.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by Mrs. Opp, that we adjourn until 1:30 p. m.

Carried.

THURSDAY -AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by president at 1:30 p. m.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Roll call showed seventy-seven delegates present.

Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Godding of No. 16, as delegate-at-large to National Convention. Seconded by Mrs. Smith.

Motion by Mrs. Gilbertson, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that nominations be closed and secretary cast the ballot of convention for Mrs. Godding. Motion carried, secretary cast ballot and Mrs. Godding declared elected.

Committee on press correspondent's report read:

To the Officers and Members of the 18th Annual Convention: We, the committee on press correspondent's report,

have carefully examined it and find it concise and valuable, and do therefore ask the adoption of the following resolution:

That a vote of thanks be extended Miss Stella Kyle for the careful and painstaking work she has done in compiling a history of the Woman's Relief Corps, for a Century Chest to be placed in Colburn Library at Colorado Springs.

JENNIE MCGILL,

ANNIE BENTON.

Motion by Mrs. Killin, seconded by Mrs. Inman, that the report be adopted.

Carried.

Mrs. Campbell nominated Mrs. Ellison of No. 4, as first delegate to National Convention. Seconded by Mrs. Farrar.

Motion by Mrs. Capell that nominations be closed and secretary cast ballot of convention for Mrs. Ellison. Carried. Secretary cast ballot and president declared her elected.

Committee on report of chief aide reported.

To the President and Members of the 18th Convention:

We take pleasure in reporting on the senior aide's report, finding it faithfully made and most complete. It is gratifying to know that, of forty-two corps, thirty-eight have reported, thereby showing the interest taken in the work for our veterans and their dependent ones. We, therefore, move the report be adopted.

SADIE FISHER,

GEORGIE WILLIAMS.

Moved by Mrs. Critchell, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the report of the committee be adopted.

Carried.

Mrs. Young of No. 21, was nominated as second delegate to National Convention by Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Dake.

Motion by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Critchell, that secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Young carried, and president announced her election.

Second Vice-President Olive Killin took the chair and a motion made by Mrs. Farrar, seconded by Mrs. Burr, that president's address as a whole be adopted was carried.

Mrs. Carr, as chairman of committee to visit G. A. R., said that they were most graciously received, Mrs. President's report cheered, and the comrades were enthusiastic and appreciative of the efforts of the W. R. C.

Mrs. Hickox of No. 16, was nominated as alternate-at-large by Mrs. McGwire and seconded by Mrs. Smith.

Motion by Mrs. Springer, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Hickox. Carried. Mrs. Hickox announced elected alternate-at-large.

Committee to visit Ladies' Aid reported their visit and kindly greetings.

Committee to visit Ladies of G. A. R. report a pleasant visit and kind reception.

Moved by Mrs. Benson, seconded by Mrs. Farrar, that we endorse the efforts of Comrade Marsh in organizing his paper. Carried.

Mrs. Farrar nominated Mrs. Yeates of No. 4, as first alternate. Seconded by Mrs. Capell.

Moved by Mrs. Gilbertson, seconded by Mrs. Burr, that nominations be closed and secretary cast convention's ballot for Mrs. Yeates.

Carried, ballot cast and Mrs. Yeates declared elected.

Mrs. Hardin nominated Mrs. Van Orsdol as second alternate. Seconded by several. Motion by Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Opp, that this nomination be unanimous, and the secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. Van Orsdol. Carried and secretary cast ballot as directed. President announced the election.

Jennie McGill, as chairman of committee to Sons of Veterans, reported.

Mrs. Carr announced a telegram reporting an accident to our national president.

Moved by Jennie McGill, seconded by the convention, that a telegram of sympathy be sent Mrs. Calista Jones.

Carried.

Committee on telegrams and courtesies reported.

Mrs. President: We, your committee on courtesies and telegrams report that greetings have been sent to the following: The national president, Calista Robinson Jones, Past National President Flo Jamison Miller, Past Department Presidents Clinena G. Howard, Mary J. Telford, Catherine Kennedy, Anna B. Holliday, Laura S. Dodge, America Anderson and Minnie E. Kingsford. Telegrams of sympathy were sent Past Department President Ella L. C. Dwinell and Comrade John Stoddard, of Elbert County.

We recommend that the thanks of this convention be

tendered to the pianist, guards, conductors, color-bearers and press committee of this convention.

Our most cordial thanks are expressed to the local press for courtesies extended, and to the members of Wadsworth W. R. C., No. 16, for their untiring efforts in making every suitable arrangement for our entertainment; for the beautiful badges, pleasant hall and delightful reception, which we have all enjoyed so much, and of which we will carry many pleasant memories to our homes.

Submitted in F., C. and L.,

MARY L. CARR,

ALICE M. SEEDS,

MATILDA HOTCHKISS.

Moved by Mrs. Burr, seconded by Mrs. Smith that the report be adopted. Carried.

The following communications were received:

BRADFORD, Vt., March 8, 1902.

Arabella C. Johnson, Department President Colorado W. R. C., Fort Morgan, Colo.:

DEAR MADAM—I thank you for the cordial invitation to be the guest of your Department Convention the 10th, 11th and 12th of June, at Rocky Ford, Colo.

Although time and distance, and my many duties, make it impossible for me to say positively that I will be present with you at that time, I am trying to make arrangements to do so. It will certainly give me much pleasure to visit your department. With best wishes for you, believe me,

Yours in F., C. and L.

CALISTA ROBINSON JONES,

National President.

BRADFORD, Vt., March 1, 1902.

Arabella C. Johnson, Department President Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C., Fort Morgan, Colo.:

DEAR MADAM—Many thanks for the cordial invitation to attend the annual convention, Department of the Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C., to be held at Rocky Ford, Colo., June 10th, 11th and 12th. It would give me great pleasure to be present at that time, but fear it will be impossible for me to do so.

Trusting that you may have a very successful convention, and extend my hearty greetings to the Department of

Colorado and Wyoming and with best wishes for yourself,
believe me,

Yours in F., C. and L.

MARY ELLEN CONANT,
National Secretary.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 3, 1902.

MY DEAR MRS. JOHNSON: I hope you have not thought me neglectful or indifferent to your very kind invitation to Mr. Phillips and myself to attend your Department Convention. I want to assure you that I know of nothing that would give either of us greater pleasure than to be able to accept it. But the distance is so great, and time so limited, that it will not be possible. I have delayed answering your letter purposely, for I want this to reach you a little time before you go to Rocky Ford, so the thought of your adopted child may be with you on your journey and during the convention. I also want you to convey my best love to my dear adopted sisters, and tell them my real self will be with them every minute, although I cannot transport my body to them. Neither distance or space can prevent my heart being with you and them, and you may rest in the thought that it surely will be.

I know you will have a harmonious and successful convention, and that the best interests of the order will characterize every action taken. You have had a successful year, your work has been done promptly and conscientiously, and my official relation with you and your officers have been without the slightest offense on either side. On the contrary, the ties formed last year when I was so closely associated with your dear Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Hardin, have been more closely welded by my association with the department officers this year, and they now embrace the whole department. I feel that I belong to you and am one of you, and I hope it will be my privilege to one day plant my feet upon your mountains and revel in your grand beauties of nature.

Once more, with love to all, I wish for you all joy and happiness, peace and prosperity in all the years to come.

Your loving
NATIONAL TREASURER.

WILMINGTON, Ill., May 15, 1902.

Mrs. Arabella Johnson, Department President Colorado W.
R. C.:

DEAR MADAM—General order No. 7 tells me your con-

vention will soon be here and your administration will be another milestone in the growth of the order. Let me congratulate you on the work accomplished and the increase in membership as shown in the last order. Kindly remember me to the convention with best wishes for continued success.

With pleasant memories of courtesies shown me in the past, I send to all my friends in your department loving greetings.

Sincerely in F. C. and L.

FLO JANISON MILLER,

Past National President.

COLORADO SPRINGS, June 9, 1902.

To the Officers and Members of the 18th Department Convention, W. R. C., of Colorado and Wyoming:

GREETING—I am more sorry than I can express that I am not able to be with you and hope you may have a harmonious and prosperous time. I have been ill for the past month, but am much better. Not quite equal, however, to attend convention, but send my love and best wishes to each and every member, hoping to meet you again next year. You may not all know that I have a grave in the far island of Luzon, but hope that before we meet again for Memorial day that my soldier husband and soldier son may be laid side by side. I remain always,

Yours in F. C. and L.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

Past Department President Colorado and Wyoming.

RAWLINS, Wyo., June 10, 1902.

Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson, Department President of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C.:

DEAR MRS. PRESIDENT My congratulations for the work of the past year and my good wishes for that in which you are now engaged. May your convention be a successful and harmonious one, and may your deliberations be attended by a spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

With greeting to the 18th Department Convention, I am,

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,

Past Department President.

OMAHA, Neb., June 2, 1902.

Mrs. Arabella Johnson, Department President W. R. C., Fort Morgan, Colo.:

DEAR MRS. JOHNSON I had intended writing to you be-

fore this, but owing to continued sickness in my family put it off. I wish to thank you for your courtesy in sending G. O., also for your kind letters. Wish I could be at convention. Accept my best wishes for a pleasant and profitable convention; may God bless all your efforts for the good of our order. With kind regards to yourself and my sisters of the W. R. C., I remain,

Yours in F., C. and L.

CLARA RAPP.

4012 Charles Street.

Minutes of the following council meetings read.

FIRST COUNCIL MEETING.

PUEBLO, Colo., April 12, 1901.

Council meeting of Department of Colorado and Wyoming was held at the headquarters in the Grand Hotel.

Present—President Mrs. A. C. Johnson; Senior Vice-President Olive Killin, Secretary Kate M. Clatworthy, Inspector Sara Stephenson, Members of Executive Board, Mrs. Kauffmann and Mrs. Pray, Counselor Mrs. Kingsford, Treasurer Mrs. Critchell, Past Secretary Mrs. Fishback, Stenographer S. A. Tucker.

Minutes of Thursday and Friday morning sessions of the convention read by the stenographer. Moved by Mrs. Clatworthy that they be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Pray. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson that the bill for express charges on the rosters be allowed and warrant drawn for the same. Seconded by Mrs. Killin and motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kingsford that a vote of thanks be given the Pueblo Chieftian for courtesies extended the convention. Seconded by Mrs. Kauffmann and motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson that Mrs. Fishback's bill for postage and railroad expenses be allowed. Seconded by Mrs. Pray and carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kingsford that the bill for printing rosters be allowed. Seconded by Mrs. Kauffmann and carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kingsford that the auditing committee's expenses be allowed. Seconded by Mrs. Fishback and carried.

Moved by Mrs. Killin that Miss Tucker be allowed \$5.00 for stenographic work. Seconded by Mrs. Critchell and carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kingsford that the national secretary's

hotel expenses be allowed. Seconded by Mrs. Stephenson and carried.

There being no further business the council adjourned.

SARAH A. TUCKER, Stenographer,
Secretary Pro Tem.

Approved February 28, 1902.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Farrar, that minutes be adopted. Carried.

SECOND COUNCIL MEETING.

DENVER, Colo., June 5, 1901.

Council met by order of president with Mrs. Ida Critchell, department treasurer, 1111 Hooker street.

Present—President Arabella Johnson, Secretary Kate M. Clatworthy, Treasurer Ida Critchell, Inspector Sara B. C. Stephenson, Members of Executive Board, Mrs. Margaretta Kauffmann, Minnie Benson, Matilda Hotchkiss.

Mrs. Johnson stated that a bill had been received by the department treasurer from the national treasurer for \$74.18, which department treasurer's books showed had been paid. Letters from former Department Treasurer Mrs. Clara Rapp were read, in which it appeared that the amount must have been lost in transmission and that Mrs. Rapp would reimburse the department.

Motion made by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss, that a committee be appointed by the president to investigate the former treasurer's books and balance same and to destroy obsolete matter. President appointed as such committee Mrs. Laura Dodge of Boulder and Mrs. Lucy Campbell of Denver.

Motion made by Mrs. Stephenson that salary of Mrs. Rapp be paid for a month during transfer of books. Seconded by Mrs. Kauffmann. Motion lost.

Motion made by Mrs. Clatworthy that a dating and forwarding stamp be purchased for treasurer. Seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss. Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Clatworthy, seconded by Mesdames Benson and Kauffmann, that the department president be authorized to hold a reception at Cleveland, Ohio, in honor of national president and her secretary and that the number of invitations be left to the discretion of the president. Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Benson that a bill for flowers sent by department for General Carr be allowed. Seconded by Mrs. Stephenson. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kauffmann that bill for department flag ordered by convention be allowed. Seconded by Mrs. Benson. Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Stephenson that railroad fare to the council meeting be allowed Mesdames Clatworthy and Hotchkiss. Seconded by Mrs. Kauffmann. Carried.

Council arose.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY.

Department Secretary.

Approved February 28, 1902.

Moved by Mrs. Buell, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that they be adopted. Carried.

THIRD COUNCIL MEETING.

BERNARD HALL, DENVER, Colo., July 31, 1901.

An emergency council was called at 5:00 o'clock, p. m., by Arabella C. Johnson, department president.

Mary L. Carr, national president, Fannie D. Hardin, national secretary, with the following members of the council, were present: Arabella C. Johnson, Ida Critchell, Minnie L. Benson, Margaretta Kauffmann and Sara Stephenson.

Mrs. Kauffmann moved that the per capita tax of corps Nos. 25, \$4.05; 30, \$2.10; 31, \$1.50; 13, \$3.00; total, \$10.65, be advanced by this department in order to present a full membership at the National Convention. This motion, being seconded by Mrs. Critchell, was adopted.

After the retirement of the national president and secretary, Mrs. Critchell moved that a committee be appointed to select a suitable present to be given Fannie D. Hardin, national secretary, at the coming convention, the various corps having prepared souvenir spoons for Mrs. Carr. The motion was adopted and the president appointed Mrs. Critchell and Mrs. Kauffmann.

Adjourned.

SARA B. C. STEPHENSON,

Secretary Pro Tem.

Approved February 28, 1902.

Moved by Mrs. Farrar, seconded by Mrs. Sawyer, that they be adopted. Carried.

Fourth Council Meeting, including resolutions on the death of Mrs. Kauffmann:

FORT MORGAN, COLO., Feb. 28, 1902.

Department council met at the home of department president, Arabella C. Johnson.

Present—President, Arabella C. Johnson; second vice president, Olive A. Killin; treasurer, Ida Critchell; inspector, Sarah B. C. Stephenson; members of executive board, Matilda Hotchkiss and Minnie L. Benson; secretary, Kate Chatworthy. Mrs. Alice M. Seeds, past department president, was also present.

Minutes for meetings for April 12, June 5 and July 31, 1901, read and approved.

Motion by Mrs. Benson that resolutions of respect on the death of Mrs. Kauffman, be adopted; seconded by Mrs. Stephenson. Carried.

Chair appointed Mrs. Seeds and Mrs. Critchell a committee to draft such resolutions, who reported as follows:

Whereas, The Angel of Death, has touched the brow and stilled the lips of our dear, departed sister and co-worker, Margaretta Kauffmann, calling her to a higher realm and unseen world. The knell sounded and told the sad, sad story that another last chapter had been recorded and the leaves of another book of life with its written and unwritten pages had been closed forever. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the department council deeply deplore the loss of a valued member whose counsels and advice were highly appreciated and whose services to this department were beyond estimating.

RESOLVED, That the loving, tender sympathy of this department be extended to the bereaved husband and family on the loss of a faithful wife and devoted mother, commending them to Him whose promise, "My strength is sufficient for thee," never fails.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this department, a copy properly engrossed be transmitted to the members of the family and a copy be sent to the National Standard for publication.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALICE M. SEEDS,
IDA CRITCHELL.

Resolutions unanimously adopted upon motion made by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by Mrs. Benson.

As first member of the executive board, to fill vacancy, Mrs. Stephenson nominated Mrs. Carrie Coggschall of No. 42. Seconded by Mrs. Killin and secretary cast ballot of council for Mrs. Coggschall.

Committee appointed at June meeting to destroy obsolete matter in treasurer's office having failed to act, the chairman substituted Mrs. Fannie Hardin for Mrs. Dodge, and added Mrs. Seeds to the committee.

Motion made by Mrs. Critchell that president, secretary and treasurer be allowed to leave all supplies, except those required at department convention, at present headquarters until new officers were installed, and be then sent directly to the addresses of incoming president, secretary and treasurer. Seconded by Mrs. Stephenson and carried.

Mrs. Critchell reported error in former treasurer's accounts corrected and receipts for same on hand.

Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Benson. Carried.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

Moved by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mrs. Pridmore, that these minutes be adopted. Carried.

Minutes of adjourned council meeting:

FORT MORGAN, Colo., March 1, 1902.

Adjourned council meeting called to order by the president, Arabella Johnson.

Other members present: Olive Killin, senior vice president; Ida Critchell, treasurer; Minnie L. Benson, executive committee; Sara B. C. Stephenson, inspector.

Bill of flowers for Mrs. Kauffmann's funeral allowed.

Moved by Mrs. Stephenson, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that fare of Mrs. Benson, executive member, to the council meeting at Fort Morgan, be paid. Carried.

Upon motion council was adjourned.

IDA CRITCHELL,

Secretary Pro. Tem.

On motion of Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mrs. Pridmore, these minutes were adopted.

FIFTH COUNCIL MEETING.

ROCKY FORD, COLO., June 10, 1902.

Department council of W. R. C. met at Hotel El-Captain at 10:00 a. m.

Present—Arabella C. Johnson, president; Olive A. Killin, second vice president; Ida Critchell, treasurer; Sara B. C. Stephenson, inspector; Madaline Sloan, chaplain; Sybil E. Watson, executive board; Kate Clatworthy, secretary.

Minutes of council of February 28th and March 1st read and approved.

Motion by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that \$1.00 be allowed for express on supplies sent to Mrs. Hickox as assistant national inspector. Carried.

Motion by Mrs. Critchell, seconded by Mrs. Killin, that bill for printing rosters, \$10.00, be allowed. Carried.

Report of Mrs. Benson as chairman of auditing committee read and approved.

Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Killin. Seconded by Mrs. Watson. Carried.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,
Department Secretary.

Approved June 12, 1902.

On motion the minutes were adopted.

Committee on resolutions reported as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT: The following resolutions have been handed your committee are hereby passed to the convention with our action thereon:

Whereas, One of the foremost objects of the W. R. C. is the inculcating of patriotic principles in the coming generation by means of the schools. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we recognize the great aid in the furtherance of this work rendered by Mrs. Helen Grenfel, state superintendent of public instruction, and tender to her the earnest and hearty thanks of this 18th Annual Convention Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the G. A. R., for the publication and distribution of the books entitled, "The Birthdays of Washington and Lincoln, also 'Memorial Day,'" which have materially aided the work of instruction, in which we are so strongly interested.

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of this convention, and a copy be forwarded to Mrs. Grenfel.

Approved by committee.

2. RESOLVED, That the thanks of this convention be given Mrs. Stella A. Kyle, department press correspondent, for her preparation of a history of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C., for the Century Chest to be placed in Colburn Library, Colorado Springs.

Approved by committee.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

EMILY H. JONES,
MINNIE L. BENSON,
IRENE B. COWIE.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Stephenson and others, that report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Benson, that the present secretary hold office until July 1st. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Seeds, that the president be instructed to print 500 copies of the 18th Department Convention proceedings. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, that assistant secretary be allowed \$10.00 for her services during the convention. Carried.

Mrs. Godding thanked the convention for the expression of appreciation of the efforts of Wadsworth Corps to make the convention a success.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by many, that a rising vote of thanks be given Mrs. Johnson for her able manner in presiding at the convention. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Farrar, that all unfinished business be left in the hands of the council. Carried.

Minutes of this (Thursday) afternoon's session read and approved.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Burr, that we adjourn to meet the Post in public installation at the opera house at 4:00 p. m. Carried.

Adjourned meeting of the 18th Convention, joint public installation of the G. A. R., Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of G. A. R., Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid to Sons of Veterans was held in the opera house.

Commander Sherman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p. m.

The officers of the G. A. R. were installed by Commander Sherman after which two flags, offered by Commander Sherman to the posts making the greatest gains in membership and greatest per cent of gain, were awarded.

Both were really earned by the Grand Junction Post, but they willingly saw one bestowed on the post ranking second, that of Colorado Springs.

The officers of the Woman's Relief Corps were installed by Past National President, Mary L. Carr.

The officers of the Ladies of the G. A. R. were installed by Past Department President Nellie Roller.

The Ladies' Aid to Sons of Veterans had as installing officer Mrs. Foote.

The officers of the Sons of veterans were installed by Comrade Whitney.

There being no further business, the 18th Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming was declared closed.

I hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge, the foregoing is a correct record of the proceedings of the 18th Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Past Department Secretary.

Delegation from the Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps to the G. A. R. Encampment, consisting of the following ladies, Mesdames Mary L. Carr, Fannie D. W. Hardin, Lucy M. Campbell, Alice M. Seeds and Emily H. Jones, presented the report of the department president as follows:

FORT MORGAN, Colo., June 9, 1902.

To Gen L. E. Sherman, Department Commander, G. A. R.:

GREETING: It is with pleasure that I transmit to you, and through you to the Twenty-third Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colorado and Wyoming, the following report, and extend to you our fraternal greetings, with best wishes for a pleasant and profitable session. May your deliberations be marked by charity, and may our orders be loyal to each other, and to the cause for which we labor:

Number of Corps in Department.....	12
Number of Members in Department.....	1 859
Cash Expended for Relief.....	\$2 073 08
Cash Expended for Relief in Department....	120 00

Total Cash Expended for Relief.....	\$2 193 08
Value of Relief Other Than Money.....	1 982 63

Total Amount of Relief.....	\$4 175 71
Cash Contributed to S. & S. Home, Colo.....	16 50
Cash Contributed to S. & S. Home, Wyo.....	85 50
Contributions Other Than Money to Homes.....	27 00
For Memorial Day in South.....	37 50
Andersonville Prison Fund.....	16 00
Other Funds.....	13 83

Totals for Reliefs and Contributions.....	\$4 402 64
Number of Soldiers Assisted.....	341
Total Number Assisted.....	1 062
Cash Balance in General Fund of Corps....	\$ 758 93
Total Cash Bal. in General Fund of Corps...	1 738 29

Total Cash Balance on Hand in Corps...	\$2 497 22
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Appreciating the confidence the Grand Army of the Republic has always shown in its auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, and hoping to merit greater favors in the future,
Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON.

Department President.

Unofficial Proceedings.

The first and perhaps most delightful feature of this 18th Convention was the parade of the veterans of the G. A. R., accompanied by other orders, including many members of the W. R. C., for whom conveyances had been most hospitably provided by the citizens of Rocky Ford. This occurred on Tuesday afternoon, June 10th, at 4:00 p. m.

On Tuesday evening a camp fire was held in a huge warehouse, well adapted for that purpose. Mayor Swink, Commander Sloan for the G. A. R., and Mrs. Godding for the W. R. C., welcomed the encampment, and addresses from Department Commander Sherman, Department President Arabella Johnson and others followed. Good music was rendered and Captain Jack Crawford gave a recitation of one of his poems. A drill by a number of young girls was enthusiastically received.

On Wednesday afternoon, June 11th, a large number of delegates were taken through the sugar factory.

On Wednesday evening a reception, tendered all the orders by Wadsworth Relief Corps in the K. of P. hall, was much enjoyed. Department officers of the W. R. C. assisted the president of Wadsworth W. R. C. in receiving friends.

This was followed by a camp fire at which Governor Orman was one of the speakers.

Thursday evening, June 12th, the great warehouse was again filled to overflowing at the closing camp fire, which was quite as much enjoyed as those of the previous evenings and which ended a most successful encampment.

Decisions of 18th Annual Convention.

1. That the representation to Department Convention remain the same, one delegate for every twenty members and one for every major portion of that number.
2. That the per capita tax remain the same as formerly, fifteen cents per member per quarter.
3. That one of the specific duties of the department

president be a visit paid each corps at least once in each year if possible, outside of regular inspection.

4. That corps press correspondents be required to furnish items to department press correspondent within five days of date of happening.

5. That insurance be carried on stock in the hands of department treasurer.

6. That the amount expended for a testimonial for the department president be reduced from \$50.00 to \$25.00.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING
FORT MORGAN, Colo., April 15, 1901.

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 1. }

I. On assuming command of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, having been elected president by its convention held in Pueblo, Colo., April 10, 11 and 12, 1901, I desire to thank the members for their loyal support, and ask the hearty co-operation of each member of the department in making this year a successful one.

II. Department headquarters are hereby established at Fort Morgan, Colo., and Kate M. Clatworthy, of Fort Morgan has been appointed department secretary. Comrades of the G. A. R. and members of the W. R. C. are welcome at all times.

III. Mrs. Ida Critchell, 524 Quincy Block, Curtis and Seventeenth streets, Denver, Colo., has been elected department treasurer. All requisitions for supplies will be sent to her.

IV. Revised Burial and Memorial Service books, with flag work introduced, are now ready for issue by the national treasurer. Corps presidents should at once order at least one book each. Let each corps remember the fund for Memorial Day in the South, which is now due. Send to Ida Critchell, 524 Quincy Building, Denver, Colorado, department treasurer.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Department President.

Official:

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, {
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

FORT MORGAN, COLO., April 15, 1901.

MEMORIAL ORDERS.

Again we are called upon to honor the memories of our departed dead. The season of roses and lilies reminds us of the beauty of life, but the fleetness of all things earthly. May 30th, when we strew flowers over the graves of our departed comrades, let us not forget those who lie in unknown graves, or those whose lives have gone out in foreign lands.

See to it that the children are called upon to assist in making the day one of precious memory. And may no sports call off the mind from the sacred influences.

May those who still remain have the faithful care and true friendship of all loyal women, until they, too, are numbered with the honored dead. May the Great Commander of us all guard and keep us.

Official:

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,
Dept. Secretary.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,
Dept. President.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC {
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

FORT MORGAN, Colo., October 7, 1901.

CIRCULAR LETTER {
No. 1. }

Stunned by the awful calamity which has befallen our nation, in the passing of our late president, William McKinley, comrade and friend; looking into a night both dark and uncertain we still can say:

"So long thy power hath blessed me sure it still

Will lead me on

O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent till

The night is gone.

And with the morn those angel voices smile

Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile."

To the beloved wife, so early bereft, we tender our sympathy. Will the corps in the department see that the order of our National President in regard to draping the charter be carried out. By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,
Department President.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC {
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING. }

FORT MORGAN, Colo., April 26, 1901.

GENERAL ORDERS /
No. 2. }

I. Beginning the work of the new year, we realize the untold possibilities for good in the grand order in which we serve. The election of Mary L. Carr, of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, as national president, gives a strong incentive for renewed zeal and faithfulness. We look forward with pride to the National Convention in September, as belonging, in a measure, to the Department of Colorado and Wyoming. Shall there be vacant places in the ranks at roll call? Without individual effort there will be delinquent corps. Have reports sent in on time—delays at this time mean much to the department. A failure in making June reports causes corps to be counted delinquent at the National Convention. Corps presidents are again urged to be prompt.

II.

ROSTER.

President, Mrs. Arabella C. Johnson, Fort Morgan, Colorado
Senior Vice President.... Mrs. Olive Killin, Kiowa, Colorado
Junior Vice President.....

..... Mrs. Amelia Gertieson, Alamosa, Colorado

Secretary, Mrs. Kate M. Clatworthy, Fort Morgan, Colorado

Treasurer..... Mrs. Ida Critchell, 324 Quincy Bldg., Denver

Chaplain..... Mrs. Madeline Sloan, Rocky Ford, Colorado

Executive Board.....

Mrs. Margaretta Kauffmann, Denver, Colo.,

Mrs. Hester W. Hartsell, Denver, Colo.,

Mrs. Sybil E. Watson, 1215 Pine St., Pueblo, Colo.,

Mrs. Matilda Hotchkiss, Fort Morgan, Colo.,

Mrs. Aelisa Pray, Maniton, Colo.

Delegate-at-Large.....

..... Mrs. Susie Carr McGwire, Longmont, Colorado

First Delegate..... Mrs. Susie Searl, Leadville, Colorado

Second Delegate..... Mrs. Anna B. McGee, Victor, Colorado

Alternate-at-Large.....

..... Mrs. Scena Maxwell, No. 1, Clark's Terrace, Pueblo

First Alternate..... Mrs. Mary J. Cole, Alamosa, Colorado

Second Alternate..... Mrs. Jennie McGill, Denver

APPOINTIVE.

Inspector.....
 Mrs. Sara B. C. Stephenson, 1724 Washington Ave., Denver
 I. and I. Officer....Mrs. E. Helen Tiffany, Durango, Colorado
 Counselor.....Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyoming
 Patriotic Instructor.....
Mrs. Laura B. Farrar, Colorado Springs, Colorado
 Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.....
Theresa Jenkins, Cheyenne, Wyoming

III. These officers having been duly installed, will be obeyed accordingly.

IV. The following officers were elected at Pueblo to serve the G. A. R. for the coming year:

Dept. Com.—Lineas E. Sherman, Colorado Springs, Colo.
 Senior Vice Com.—S. M. Biggs.
 Junior Vice Com.—Charles Harcourt.
 Chaplain—J. B. Bedwell.
 Medical Director—Dr. George W. Curfman.
 Ass't Adj. Gen.—D. W. Robbins.
 Ass't Q. M. Gen.—M. S. Crawford.

Co-operate with these comrades in all good work, that the blessings of fraternity may go with us through the year.

V. The following resolutions were passed unanimously by the department convention at Pueblo:

RESOLVED, That the badge worn by the representatives of this department to the 18th National Convention at Chicago in 1900 be made the permanent badge of this department.

RESOLVED, That when an executive officer of this department removes her residence to another department without offering her resignation, her place shall be declared vacant by the department president, two-thirds of the department council sanctioning the same, and the office shall be filled by the department council.

RESOLVED, That since the early records of this department have been destroyed, a committee of three be named by the outgoing president to make good, as far as possible, in concise form, this missing early history; the same to be approved by the incoming president and published inside the cover of the Journal of the 17th Department Convention.

The department convention also recommended changes for chapter II, article IV, section V, and chapter II, article IV, section III, of Rules and Regulations, given later.

VI. Department password accompanies these orders.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Official:

Department President.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC }
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING. }

Fort Morgan, Colo., June 1, 1901.

GENERAL ORDERS {
NO. 3. }

I. A call to celebrate the one hundred and twenty-fourth birthday of the flag on June 14, 1901, is made by Col. Allan C. Bakewell, chief aide to the Commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, in charge of patriotic instruction. He says: "As the day dawns on June 14th, let the morning breeze kiss the fluttering flag from every house top, and as the school bell sounds the assembly hour, let there be glad hearts among the children, as it is made their festival day to sing praises to the flag, and to cheer it as it floats in the air above, a token of their noble birth."

II. As this is in line with much of our work in the schools of the nation, and as it is our duty "to inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country among our children, and in the community in which we live," our members should, if practicable, celebrate the day in their corps rooms; do glad service by seeing that flags are displayed if possible, from every home in the land, and where schools have closed for the summer, gather the children for an hour of suitable exercises.

III. Also let the commercial spirit, which has used the emblem of universal liberty for advertising purposes, be rebuked by well-prepared articles in the general press of the country, calling attention to the day and to the true and noble things which only should be symbolized by the "red, white and blue."

IV. It is desired by the National President of the W. R. C. that we enter heartily and lovingly into the spirit of the day in every city, town and village where a corps exists.

FURTHER DECISIONS OF 17TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION.

V. That the Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. submit to the 19th National Convention the following changes in Rules and Regulations:

(A) That the last sentence of chapter II, article IV, section V, be replaced by these words: Applicants for readmission to the order, including transferred; dropped and honorably discharged members, may be readmitted on the same vote as members upon their first application; the manner being prescribed in chapter II, article II, section IV.

(B) To add these words to chapter II, article IV, section III; A member of a disbanded corps who was in arrears for dues at the time of disbandment may be admitted to any corps upon regular application on payment of the regular fee. According to provisions of chapter V, article IV, section II.

VI.

1—That the per capita tax to the department remain 15 cents.

2—That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same.

3—That decision No. 22 be changed to read: Six percent of per capita tax be transferred to Department Relief Fund.

4—That a roster of the department officers shall be issued in printed form soon after Department convention, annually.

5—That the design on our department banner be adopted as the design of badge for delegates from this department to National Convention; and that a die be cast for the same.

6—That a suitable book be furnished department headquarters for copying official letters for reference.

7—That the department aides badges be furnished by the department to revert with the office.

8—That a suitable storm serge flag be furnished department headquarters for draping on national holidays.

VII. Attention is again called to quarterly reports for the year ending June 30th. Let me impress upon all corps presidents the necessity of being punctual, in order that none may be reported delinquent at the National Convention.

VIII. The roll of honor will continue as established by my predecessors.

IX. Delegates who expect to attend the National Con-

vention at Cleveland, Ohio, in September, must report to department headquarters in order that accommodations may be secured with the delegation.

X. The following additional appointments are hereby announced:

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

Jennie McGill, 2537 Kensing Court, Denver, Chairman.

Hannah King, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Jennie Paddock, 210 East 8th Street, Leadville, Colorado.

Martha W. Evans, 115 South Sherman Avenue, Denver.

SENIOR AIDE AND CHIEF OF STAFF.

Theresa A. Jenkins, No. 9.

DEPARTMENT AIDES.

No.	No.
1. Emma J. Hovey.	23. Alice T. Smith.
3. Julia Price.	24. L. C. Young.
5. Rose Jasper.	25. Mary J. Cole.
6. Ella Byers.	27. Emma D. Adams.
12. Jessie Sharp Purrier.	28. Anna Poole.
13. Marian Kelley.	29. Abzada F. Tuttle.
14. Isabella Kerr.	30. Nellie McCall.
15. Minnie A. Beethan.	31. Jenette Brainard.
16. Annie Burr.	32. Ormenia J. Douglass.
17. Lizzie Dickerson.	35. Mary P. Smith.
18. Hattie H. Otis.	38. Carrie I. Chadburn.
19. Mary Nevins.	40. Minnie Bond.
20. Olivia Pearl.	41. Martha A. Thomas.
21. Ada Forsyth.	43. Alice B. Cheney.

Mrs. Anna Frankeberger, Nathaniel Lyons, No. 27; Mrs. Mecca Chester, Past President, Veteran, No. 14; Mrs. Anna I. Thompson, Chaplain, Casper W. Collins, No. 13, have passed beyond since last general orders.

"All is tranquil and serene,
Calm and undisturbed repose,
There no cloud can intervene,
There no angry tempest blows.
Every tear is wiped away,
Sighs no more shall heave the breast;
Night is lost in endless day,
Sorrow, in eternal rest."

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Department President.

Official:

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC {
FORT MORGAN, Colo., August 16, 1901.

GENERAL ORDERS {
NO. 4. }

I. The following order has been issued by the department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, in regard to the National Convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, September 9-14, 1901:

Headquarters of this department during the national encampment will be at room 119, Colonial Hotel, where all members of the encampment are requested to register upon arrival. All comrades will be welcome.

Headquarters W. R. C. are at room 303, Hollenden Hotel, and headquarters Ladies of the G. A. R. are at room 119, Colonial Hotel.

Officers and members of the W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. are specially invited to assist in making our department headquarters an attractive meeting place for comrades.

The official headquarters special train will be run over the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroads, and will start from Colorado Springs at 1:30 o'clock p. m., September 8th.

A special car to accommodate the comrades and their friends who live in the northern portion of the department, will leave Denver at 1:20 o'clock p. m., same day, and will join headquarters train at Limon.

Pullman, tourist and chair cars will be furnished. Reservations for Pullman and tourist sleepers should be made as early as possible, so that plenty of room may be secured. Notify the assistant adjutant general how many berths are wanted. A special rate of one fare plus one dollar has been secured to Chicago, and one cent a mile rate from that point, which is \$36.90 from all Colorado common points. You can learn rates from your local agent. Extension of tickets to October 8th may be obtained by depositing tickets with joint agent at Cleveland and paying fifty cents.

The members of the W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. will accompany the headquarters official train. A large number have already signified their intention to go, and an enjoyable trip is assured.

If any delegate cannot attend the encampment, he should notify these headquarters at once.

Hotel rates from \$1.50 to \$5.00 per day. Rooms may be

engaged at the Colonial Hotel for \$3.00 to \$5.00, American plan, and \$1.50 up, European plan. For information as to boarding houses, address John H. Blood, chairman public comfort committee, 342 Superior Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

II. Mary L. Carr, national president of the W. R. C., issued the following order:

As stated in previous orders, the 19th National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, will be opened in Cleveland, Ohio., at 9:30 Thursday morning, September 12, 1901. The First M. E. Church, Euclid Avenue and Erie Street, has been secured for the convention.

A cordial reception will be extended to the Grand Army, members of our order, and all friends and visitors, at the Hollenden, headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps. The following committee is appointed to welcome visitors:

The Woman's Relief Corps will tender a reception to the commander-in-chief of the Grand Army, Leo Rassieur, and staff, on the evening of Tuesday, September 10th, from 8:00 to 10:00, in the Chamber of Commerce hall.

Department secretaries will forward the names of army nurses who have died during the year, to the secretary of the W. R. C. home board, Emma Stark Hampton, 970 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Letters and telegrams for members of the convention during the week should be addressed: "Care National W. R. C. Convention, First M. E. Church, Euclid Avenue and Erie Street, Cleveland, Ohio." This address should be left with friends at home.

Delegates and alternates who are unable to attend the convention will promptly notify the department secretary, that all these vacancies may be filled. Each representative must obtain the national password from her own corps president.

Delegates are sent from the various departments for the benefit of the order at home. Nothing but illness should excuse them from every meeting of the session. Delegates at large are advised to embody in their reports to department conventions the names of representatives who were regularly in their seats.

III. Department headquarters will be closed from September 8th to September 28th. No supplies can be obtained from the treasurer during that time, as she will be absent.

IV. The attention of department aides is called to chap-

ter III, article VI, section XII, Rules and Regulations, which explains their duties. Members accepting the positions are earnestly requested to be alert, and ready to advance the interests of the order at all times.

V. The report of the secretary shows 1,778 members enrolled at the close of the quarter. We are glad to note an increased interest among the corps. A friendly rivalry existing among the larger corps, creates in the smaller ones a desire for more efficient work.

VI. The following corps are on the roll of honor for the quarter, in the order named: Reno, No. 21; Crocker, No. 40; J. C. Fremont, No. 45; T. H. Dodd, No. 5; E. M. Stanton, No. 37; U. S. Grant, No. 15; Custer, No. 20; Ellsworth, No. 28; C. W. Collins, No. 13; Grand Junction, No. 17; Colorado Springs, No. 4; McPherson, No. 32; Nat. Lyon, No. 27; Major Anderson, No. 35; G. H. Thomas, No. 26; Elbert County, No. 29; Geo. G. Meade, No. 6; Myron W. Reed, No. 7; J. A. Garfield, No. 8; Farragut, No. 1; Mulligan, No. 22; Veteran, No. 14; Winfield Scott, No. 19; J. W. Anderson, No. 23; W. T. Sherman, No. 21; J. F. Reynolds, No. 9; Upton, No. 2; George Washington, No. 42; Sedgwick, No. 3; Gunnison, No. 12; R. A. Cameron, No. 18; A. J. Smith, No. 31; Victor, No. 41; Pike's Peak, No. 39; A. E. Burnside, No. 38; Phil Sheridan, No. 44; Wadsworth, No. 16; North Fork, No. 11.

VII. Inspection of corps will take place during the months of September, October and November, as usual.

Department Inspector Sara B. C. Stephenson will inspect the following corps: Nos. 4, 6, 15, 18, 23, 24, 26, 27, 32, 38, 39, 41, 42 and 45.

Department president will inspect corps Nos. 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 25, 29, 30, 31, 34, 37, 43 and 44.

Senior vice president will inspect corps Nos. 1, 5, 14, 21, 28, 35 and 40.

VIII. Special meetings will be called in some corps, as it will be impossible to visit each one on their regular day of meeting. Notice of date of inspection will be sent each corps later.

IX. We report the death of the following members:

Willie B. Long, of George Washington Corps No. 42, died March 16, 1901.

Minnie Kimball, of Farragut Corps No. 1, died March 17, 1901.

Agnes A. Fair, of Veteran Corps No. 14, died June 5, 1901.

Agnes Gallagher, of Farragut Corps No. 1, died June 8, 1901.

Carrie I. Chadbourne, secretary of A. E. Burnside Corps No. 38, died June 29, 1901.

Rest, fellow laborers! May thy good deeds live long in our memory.


By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Official: Department President.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC }
FORT MORGAN, Colo., November 29, 1901. }

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 5. }

I. The first regular meeting in December is the one set apart by our rules and regulations for the annual election of corps officers and delegates to the Department Convention. A special meeting must be called to conclude the election, should the work be incomplete at the close of the first meeting. Delegates must be elected at the ratio of one delegate and one alternate for each twenty members in good standing at close of quarter ending September 30th, and one delegate and one alternate for major fraction of that number.

II. The installing officer will be selected by the officers elect. Notice of such choice must be sent to the department secretary immediately, by each corps secretary. All expense of installation must be borne by the corps.

III. Corps presidents will greatly advance the interest of the order, and lighten the duties of their office, by carefully studying the condition of their corps before appointing the committees provided for in chapter II, article VI, section III.

IV. Election blanks having been properly filled out, must be sent to the department secretary, Kate M. Clatworthy, Fort Morgan, Colo., and E. Helen Tiffany, Durango, Colo., I. and I. officer.

V. It is with great pleasure the department president notes the interest and zeal of corps throughout the depart-

ment, which she has had the opportunity of visiting, as inspector or in her official capacity, and commends the small corps isolated by reason of mountainous travel, for their persistence and energy. She notes with pride the growth of the more flourishing corps, and hopes to visit the remaining corps of the department during the administration.

VI. A visit to the Soldiers' and Sailors' home, at Monte Vista, was enjoyed. Thanks are due the friends for their thoughtfulness. It is with regret we notice the absence of any accommodations at the home for the wives of those old comrades who are now unable to care for them, but who themselves are inmates of the Home. "They also serve, who only stand and wait." By her devotion to her country, woman stood under the burden at home, giving what she could, husband and son, bravely facing toil and poverty that she might give the more. Shall she, in her old age, by no fault of her own, be made to go down to her grave in loneliness that the country may care for those who fought?

VII. In company with the department commander, a visit was made to the home in Cheyenne, Wyo., where many courtesies were received, which we heartily acknowledge. Special thanks are due to Governor Richards, of Wyoming, for courtesies shown.

VIII. At the near approach of the festal time, harbinger of "good will to men," let us not forget those men and their families who rightfully look to us for comfort and support. A hospital for the sick is being erected at the Wyoming home, where these old comrades can be better cared for in their feebleness. The needs of this hospital will be many. New mattresses are needed in the home proper. Corps sending Christmas presents to the homes will kindly send donations of money, that the necessary things may be purchased for the equipment of the new hospital, and other needed comforts. Corps desiring to renew subscriptions for magazines or papers for the use of the homes, can do so through the department treasurer, Ida Critchell, 1441 Hooker Street, Denver, Colo.

IX. The following corps are on the roll of honor for the quarter, in the order named: Joe Hooker, No. 43; R. A. Cameron, No. 18; Custer, No. 20; M. M. Crocker, No. 40; Major Anderson, No. 35; Reno, No. 21; U. S. Grant, No. 15; J. F. Reynolds, No. 9; T. H. Dodd, No. 5; E. M. Stanton, No. 37; Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27; Casper W. Collins, No. 13; Jno. C. Fremont,

No. 45; George Washington, No. 42; Pike's Peak, No. 39; McPherson, No. 32; Ellsworth, No. 28; Pfeiffer, No. 25; Sedgwick, No. 3; Upton, No. 2; Myron W. Reed, No. 7; Grand Junction, No. 17; Farragut, No. 1; G. H. Thomas, No. 26; A. B. Burnside, No. 38; A. J. Smith, No. 31; Elbert County, No. 29; W. T. Sherman, No. 24; J. W. Anderson, No. 23; Mulligan, No. 22; Winfield Scott, No. 19; Veteran, No. 14; Gunnison, No. 12; North Fork, No. 11; J. A. Garfield, No. 8; G. G. Meade, No. 6; Colorado Springs, No. 4.

X. G. H. Thomas W. R. C. has lost a loved and honored member, in the death of Mrs. Melissa R. Curtis, who departed this life on November 16, 1901. Age, 59.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Department President.

Official:

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
FORT MORGAN, Colo., January 17, 1902.

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 6. }

I. Having entered upon another year, with its duties and responsibilities, the department president wishes to extend best wishes to every member, especially to those who have just been elected to posts of influence and honor. "May we be faithful to the principles to which our order stands pledged."

II. Attention is again called to quarterly reports. Will the president of each corps see that the reports of secretary and treasurer correspond before sending to headquarters? Much trouble and time will be saved by so doing.

III. Corps officers will please send report of installation and other items of news to Stella A. Kyle, department press correspondent, 111 East Huerfano Street, Colorado Springs.

IV. The department president desires to thank the corps throughout this department for their liberal gifts to the Soldiers' Homes, in answer to the request made in last general orders. All donations must be made through the department treasurer, in order that corps may have their proper credit.

The following gifts have been received:

Casper W. Collins, cash, for S. and S. H., Wyoming.....	\$20 00
Farragut, literature for S. and S. H., Wyoming.....	1 00
Farragut, literature for S. and S. H., Colorado.....	1 00
W. T. Sherman, Christian Herald for S. and S. H., Wyo.	1 50
W. T. Sherman, Christian Herald for S. and S. H., Colo.	1 50
J. W. Anderson, Century Magazine for S. and S. H., Colorado.....	4 00
J. W. Anderson, cash for S. and S. H., Colorado.....	3 00
J. W. Anderson, cash for S. and S. H., Wyoming.....	3 00
R. A. Cameron, cash for S. and S. H., Colorado.....	5 00
R. A. Cameron, cash for S. and S. H., Wyoming.....	5 00
Custer, cash for S. and S. H., Wyoming.....	25 00
Veteran, cash for S. and S. H., Colorado.....	10 00
U. S. Grant, cash for S. and S. H., Colorado.....	10 00
U. S. Grant, cash for S. and S. H., Wyoming.....	5 00
Colorado Springs, literature for S. and S. H., Colorado.	5 00

V. All corps treasurers who have not filed their bonds can procure them by requisition from the department treasurer. Bonds **MUST** be filed before treasurers can perform their duties.

VI. The roll of honor for the quarter is as follows: E. M. Stanton, No. 37; Crocker, No. 40; A. J. Smith, No. 31; Elbert County, No. 29; Ellsworth, No. 28; Gunnison, No. 12; George Washington, No. 42; McPherson, No. 32; Mulligan, No. 22; Colorado Springs, No. 4; Wadsworth, No. 16; T. H. Dodd, No. 5; A. E. Burnside, No. 38; Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27; Grand Junction, No. 17; Pike's Peak, No. 39; Farragut, No. 1; C. W. Collins, No. 13; M. W. Reed, No. 7; R. A. Cameron, No. 18; G. G. Meade, No. 6; Phil Sheridan, No. 44; W. T. Sherman, No. 24; J. A. Garfield, No. 8; J. C. Fremont, No. 43; Veteran, No. 14; J. F. Reynolds, No. 9; Hotchkiss, No. 11; Sedgwick, No. 3; Joe Hooker, No. 43; Winfield Scott, No. 19; George H. Thomas, No. 26.

Mrs. Flora G. Cypher, member of Farragut Corps, No. 1, departed this life June 28, 1901.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Official:

Department President.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC {
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

FORT MORGAN, Colo., February 25, 1902.

CIRCULAR LETTER {
No. 2. }

It is with sincere sorrow we announce the death of Margaretta Kauffmann, chairman of the executive committee of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Saturday morning, January 25th, at her home in Denver, aged 62 years.

The department has lost an efficient officer, and the president a faithful friend and support.

Let all charters be draped for thirty days after receiving this order, in her honor.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Official:

Department President.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC {
FORT MORGAN, Colo., April 18, 1902.

GENERAL ORDERS {
No. 7. }

I. The 18th Department Convention will be held at Rocky Ford, Colo., June 10th, 11th and 12th. Headquarters will be established at the El Capitan Hotel. Notice of railroad rates, hotel rates, etc., will be given later.

II. Changes made in delegates to the convention must be sent to headquarters, that the names may appear upon the roster. Delegates must provide themselves with small silk salute flags.

III. Department aides are requested to be prompt in sending their reports to Theresa A. Jenkins, chief of staff, Cheyenne, Wyoming. For the benefit of the incoming treasurer, department aides must return their badges immediately on the expiration of their year of service.

IV. Corps presidents MUST see that corps treasurers file their bond before performing the duties of their office.

V. It is with great satisfaction that the department president can report NO DELINQUENT corps for this, the closing quarter of the administration, and that an increase of one hundred and nineteen has been made in membership during the quarter. Winfield Scott, No. 19, of Aspen, has the greatest increase in membership, twenty-seven having been added. Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26, comes second, with an addition of ten. Relief expended, Colorado Springs comes first; Veteran, No. 14, of Denver, second.

VI. The roll of honor is as follows: Corps Nos. 18, 43, 32, 12, 29, 15, 16, 40, 35, 20, 9, 43, 1, 23, 24, 22, 14, 27, 30, 37, 2, 5, 31, 8, 42, 6, 26, 4, 11, 45, 34, 25, 19, 17, 28, 7, 3, 38, 21.

VII. DONATIONS RECEIVED.

S. & S. HOME AT MONTE VISTA, COLORADO.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, cash.....	\$ 1 00
Reno, No. 21, comforts.....	10 00
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, comforts.....	2 00
Upton, No. 2, two rocking chairs and cushions.....	9 00

S. & S. HOME CHEYENNE, WYOMING.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, comforts.....	\$ 4 00
R. A. Cameron, No. 18, comfort.....	2 00
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, cash for hospital.....	25 00

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE SOUTH.

Upton, No. 2.....	\$ 1 00
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	1 00
T. H. Dodd, No. 5.....	3 00
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	1 00
C. W. Collins, No. 13.....	1 00
Custer, No. 20.....	2 00
McPherson, No. 37.....	2 00
A. J. Smith, No. 31.....	1 00
Joe Hooker, No. 43.....	1 00

ANDERSON PRISON FUND.

Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	\$ 1 00
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	42
C. W. Collins, No. 13.....	1 00
McPherson, No. 32.....	79
Joe Hooker, No. 43.....	25
George Washington, No. 42.....	51
A. J. Smith, No. 31.....	24
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	25
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	1 00
J. C. Fremont, No. 45.....	25
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	55
George G. Meade, No. 6.....	77
Winfield Scott, No. 19.....	81

Farragut, No. 1.....	65
R. A. Cameron, No. 18	25

VIII. All death notices must be sent to department chaplain, Madeline Sloan, of Rocky Ford, Colo., in order that they may appear in her report for the year.

The sympathy of this department is extended to Mrs. Emma R. Wallace, past National President, in her great loss by the death of her husband.

Death has taken the following members:

Ellen B. Holbrook, of Colorado Springs, No. 4, delegate-at-large during the last administration, will be greatly missed by the department, as well as by No. 4.

Keziah Fausler, George H. Thomas Corps, No. 26, died January 3, 1902.

Sarah F. Russell, of Reno, No. 21, died February 1, 1902.

Addie Taylor, of Reno, No. 21, died February 13, 1902.

Minnie Sanders, M. M. Crocker, No. 40, died March 9, 1902.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Department President.

Official:

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

FORT MORGAN, Colo., April 7, 1901.

MEMORIAL ORDER {
No. 2. }

"Death makes no Conquest of this Conqueror,
For now he lives in Fame, though not in life."

On May 30th, the day set apart as hallowed to the memory of our soldier dead, may we again give thanks to the Great Preserver of nations, and, with kindly thoughts for those who

"Saw not as we saw,
Thought not as we thought."

strew flowers with loving hands over the graves of the soldiers of this republic who died to defend her honor.

Let flowers be strewn on the waters, where there be streams adjacent, as ordered by the 19th National Convention, in memory of those who sleep in the deep.

Encourage the school children to take part in the ceremonies, and may the day be one of hallowed memories, not marred by sports.

Memorial reports from last year, throughout the department, show a better observance of the day than formerly. May an increased interest be felt as the years go by, that our soldier dead be not forgotten.

Corps presidents are requested to set aside a day during Memorial month in which to decorate graves of deceased members, giving their attention on May 30th entirely to caring for our fallen heroes.

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Official: Department President.

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC {
FORT MORGAN, Colo., May 15, 1902. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 8. }

I. The 18th Department Convention will be held in Rocky Ford, June 10th, 11th and 12th, in I. O. O. F. hall.

II. Department headquarters will be established at Hotel El Capitan, Rocky Ford, on Monday, June 9, at which times headquarters at Fort Morgan will be closed.

III. Pursuant to the order issued by Department Commander Sherman, the Colorado Terminal Lines Passenger Association has granted rates as follows:

1—One continuous standard fare for the round trip to Rocky Ford and return from all points in Colorado and Wyoming. Tickets on sale June 9th and 10th, with final return limit of June 14th.

2—There will be a grand parade of the Grand Army, the mayor and city council, the fire department, several civic societies and the children of the public schools at 3:00 p. m., Tuesday, June 10th. In the evening of the same day there will be a camp fire. Addresses of welcome will be made by the mayor and others, and responses by the department commander and the senior officers of the other organizations.

3—Wednesday evening a reception will be given by

Wadsworth Corps, No. 16, to the officers of the W. R. C. and G. A. R., in I. O. O. F. hall, and a camp fire will be held under the auspices of the local committee. Tuesday evening there will be public installation of the officers of the several orders, followed by addresses by the new officers and others.

4—The hotel rates are as follows: Hotel El Capitan, \$2.00 per day for each person; St. James, \$2.00 per day for single, and \$1.50 for double; rooms in boarding houses and private families at moderate prices. Plenty of restaurants where meals may be had at twenty-five cents per meal, or at any price you want. To engage rooms in advance, address A. Nichols, chairman of committee on public comfort.

5—The comrades and citizens of Rocky Ford are making great preparations for our reception, and will give a royal welcome to all who attend. Their hearts and homes will be open, and the best the country affords will be at our service.

IV. The Department Convention will convene promptly at 9:00 o'clock Wednesday morning. All officers are requested to be at their post of duty.

V. The credential committee, Kate M. Clatworthy, chairman; Sara B. C. Stephenson and Susie Carr McGwire, will be at headquarters, 10:00 a. m., on Tuesday, and at the convention hall, Wednesday, 8:00 a. m., to receive delegates and furnish badges for the convention.

VI. Members visiting convention must receive pass-word from their corps president before leaving home.

VII. All reports, resolutions, etc., to be presented to the convention, must be in the hands of the secretary not later than June 1st.

VIII. Department council will meet at department headquarters, 8:00 p. m., Monday, June 9th.

IX. The auditing committee will meet at the treasurer's office, 1441 Hooker Street, Denver, Colo., 2:00 p. m., Saturday, June 7th, to audit the department records.

X. In order that the department treasurer may close up her books, all orders made for supplies, sums due the department, etc., must be sent in by June 1st. Department officers who are unable to attend the convention must send books and badges in their possession at the same time. All bills against the department must also be presented by June 1st.

XI. The National President asks that every member of every corps give something to the National McKinley

Memorial, to be erected in Canton, Ohio. Forward all amounts, through corps treasurer, to department treasurer, who will forward the amount.

XIII. Plans are in the hands of the commissioners of the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, Colo., for the addition of a hospital and an assembly room; also the remodeling of the old building now used for assembly purposes into apartments where old soldiers may have homes for their wives. It is with great satisfaction we note this long-desired addition to the Soldiers' Home, and ask that the corps throughout the department be ready to place the desired furniture into the hospital and these apartments, which are expected to be ready for occupancy by the winter season.

XIV. In December last, M. M. Crocker, No. 40, lost by death, Mrs. Martha Stebbins, and in March, G. G. Meade, No. 6, laid away Mrs. Ellen Pierce.

North Fork, No. 11, was also called upon to part with their treasurer, Mrs. Delia Whipple, in February.

XV. In closing this, my last general order, I wish to extend thanks to all who have so kindly aided me during the administration. To the department commander and staff and the Colorado Terminal R. R. Association special thanks are due. Nothing but the heartiest sympathy has greeted me as I have visited the entire department, save one corps, and many lasting friendships have been formed. And now "I pledge allegiance to God and our country; one country, one language, and one flag."

By command of

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

Department President.

Official:

KATE M. CLATWORTHY,

Department Secretary.

Decisions of Department Conventions.

I. A Roll of Honor is hereby established for all corps sending reports of both secretary and treasurer, with per capita tax enclosed, on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.

II. That rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter) belonging to disbanded corps, be sold at regular prices.

III. That the president-elect be furnished with a copy of the decisions of convention within fifteen days after its adjournment.

IV. That the rate of representation to department convention be one delegate for every twenty members, and one additional delegate for the fraction of more than one-half that number.

V. That the per capita tax be 15 cents per quarter.

VI. That all orders for supplies be properly made on requisition blanks with the accompanying money sent made payable by either postoffice or express order, and sent direct to the department treasurer.

VII. That at least two members of the executive board be elected from corps nearest the department president, in order to facilitate the auditing of books and accounts.

VIII. That the corps secretary file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year.

IX. That department secretary in distributing quarterly blanks to corps secretaries, shall indicate in red ink, on line 15, Form A, "number remaining suspended, last report," which shall not be changed, the same to be a copy of column 16 on consolidated report of previous quarter.

X. That a Red Book be purchased by every corps in this department for the use of the officers especially; by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.

XI. That the records of disbanded corps be kept on file at headquarters for one year.

XII. That a record be kept at headquarters giving the date of organization of corps and names of charter members; also a record of all disbanded corps and causes of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.

XIII. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.

XIV. That corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in the roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that the date of organization be added to the roster.

XV. That on election returns sent to the department secretary be written the address of the corps president, secretary, president and chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

XVI. That a general order containing the address of the department chaplain be sent to all corps chaplains.

XVII. That the silver pins for national delegates' badges, ordered by the 8th Annual Convention, remain the property of the department and in the custody of the department treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge and return the same to the department treasurer after the convention; that the department president can change the ribbon of the badges at her discretion.

XVIII. That corps sending for supplies shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies can not be entered on the books of the department treasurer.

XIX. That it is not permissible for corps to have any entertainment on Memorial Day for money-making purposes which will desecrate the sacredness of the day.

XX. That the corps of this department lend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with the corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30, or some other day.

XXI. That installing officers be furnished by the outgoing secretary with a list of the corps officers, typewritten if possible, the names given in full and correctly spelled.

XXII. That ten per cent of per capita tax received each quarter be transferred to the Department Relief fund.

XXIII. That corps treasurers in cities give their street and number on quarterly reports.

XXIV. That two copies of General orders be sent to each corps, one for the president and one for the secretary.

XXV. That the department banner be taken to the convention hall at annual meetings.

XXVI. To more clearly define the power of the executive committee, as the corps treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

XXVII. That the election of officers at department convention be held on the morning of the second day.

XXVIII. That the retiring department president send the Journals direct to those entitled to them.

XXIX. That we endorse as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps of this department the weekly paper known as the National Standard, published in Denver.

XXX. That the outgoing department president appoint a committee to prepare a testimonial for the department president, at the close of her official year, the same to be

paid from the General Fund, at a maximum cost not to exceed fifty dollars.

XXXI. That the department receive bids for printing Journals and give the contract to the lowest reliable bidder.

XXXII. That the department press correspondent be furnished with subscriptions to the papers or periodicals which she is required to supply with news.

XXXIII. That the department president-elect use her influence to have at least one woman, a member of the W. R. C., appointed a member of the Soldiers' Home Commission.

XXXIV. That corps presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after department convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

XXXV. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in the public schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and the Woman's Relief Corps.

XXXVI. That, as full and complete reports of all our officers are printed in the Journals, only a summary of the department chaplain's, instituting and installing officer's and inspector's reports be read in convention.

XXXVII. That the representation to the department convention remain the same.

XXXVIII. That the per capita tax continue at 15 cents per quarter.

XXXIX. That the amount of cash in the Emergency Fund be placed in the Department Relief Fund.

XL. That the incoming president use her discretion in making application to one of the leading daily papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions.

XLI. That corps presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after department convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

XLII. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and Woman's Relief Corps.

XLIII. That the department secretary send to the department press correspondent monthly all items of interest in connection with department work.

XLIV. That 500 copies of the Journal be printed, and that the decisions, the By-Laws of the department, be revised by the retiring department president, all obsolete matter to be stricken out.

XI.V. That the names of the president, secretary and treasurer of each administration; with the names of the corresponding officers of the Grand Army of the Republic from the organization of the W. R. C. in this department, be printed in the Journal.

XI.VI. That, as full and complete reports of all officers are printed in the Journal, only a summary of the chaplain's, I. and I. officer's and inspector's reports be read in convention.

XI.VII. That Mary L. Carr be continued the custodian of the charter records of this department.

XI.VIII. That the words "wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier" should be eliminated from Decision No. 1, passed at the 14th Annual Convention.

XI.IX. That hereafter the exemplification of the ritual shall not take place until after the election of officers.

L. That we endorse Past Department President Mary L. Carr for our next National President, and that we use every honorable means for her election at the 18th National Convention at Chicago.

LI. That the per capita tax to the department remain 15 cents.

LII. That the representation to the department convention remain the same.

LIII. That Decision No. 22 be changed to read six per cent of per capita tax be transferred to the Department Relief Fund.

LIV. That a roster of the department officers shall be issued in printed form soon after the department convention annually.

LV. That the design on our department banner be adopted as the design for badge of delegates from this department to the National Convention, and that a die be cast for the same.

LVI. That a suitable book be furnished department headquarters for copying official letters for reference.

LVII. That department aide's badges be furnished by the department, to revert with office.

LVIII. That a storm serge flag be furnished department headquarters for draping on national holidays.

LIX. That when an executive officer of this department removes her residence to another department without offering her resignation, her place shall be declared vacant by the department president--two-thirds of the department council sanctioning the same and the office shall be filled by the department council.

DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

G. A. R.—W. R. C.

1884 - DENVER, COLO.

Byron L. Carr,
Department Commander.
Eben White,
Adjutant General.
Eugene A. Austin,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Catherine C. Kennedy, Denver,
Department President.
Caroline L. Parker, Golden, Col.
Department Secretary.
Mary A. Stimson, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1885 - DENVER, COLO.

A. V. Bohm,
Department Commander.
F. R. Miller,
Asst. Adjutant General.
N. R. Twitchell,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Catharine C. Kennedy, Denver,
Department President.
Helen R. Eldridge, Denver,
Department Secretary.
Olive Hogle, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1886 - PUEBLO, COLO.

Henry Bowman,
Department Commander.
E. H. Sawyer,
Asst. Adjutant General.
D. I. Ezekiel,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Mary Jewett Telford, Denver,
Department President.
Augusta B. Henderson, Denver.,
Department Secretary.
Olive Hogle,
Department Treasurer.

1887--DENVER, COLO.

Geo. Ady,
Department Commander.
Jas. A. Lowrie,
Asst. Adjutant General.
S. McClanathan,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Mary Jewett Telford, Denver,
Department President.
Augusta B. Henderson, Denver,
Department Secretary.
Olive Hogle, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1888--CHEYENNE, WYO.

John W. Browning,
Department Commander.
A. B. Place,
Asst. Adjutant General.
S. McClanathan,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Augusta B. Henderson, Denver,
Department President.
Lizzie Kent Daniels, Denver,
Department Secretary.
Mary J. Handyside, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1889 - GREELEY, COLO.

Thos. M. Fisher, Department Commander.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Department President.
Nicholas J. O'Brien, Asst. Adjutant General.	Emily R. Cohen, Denver, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Lettie L. Kessler, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1890 - DENVER, COLO.

Delos L. Holden, Department Commander.	America Anderson, Denver, Department President.
R. H. Dunn, Asst. Adjutant General.	Sarah E. Calvert, Denver, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Ida DeLange, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1891 - DENVER, COLO.

George W. Cook, Department Commander.	Climena G. Howard, Greeley, Department President.
Phil. Trounstone, Asst. Adjutant General.	Josephine Cheeseman, Greeley, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Department Treasurer.

1892 - BOULDER, COLO.

John C. Kennedy, Department Commander.	Mary L. Carr, Longmont, Colo., Department President.
J. W. Anderson, Asst. Adjutant General.	Mary T. Brenbarger, Longmont, Department Secretary.
John L. Handley, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Department Treasurer.

1893 - PUEBLO, COLO.

Myron W. Reed, Department Commander.	Laura S. Dodge, Boulder, Colo., Department President.
W. T. S. May, Asst. Adjutant General.	Isa E. Crosby, Boulder, Colo., Department Secretary.
John L. Handley, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Janette L. Todd, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1894 - ASPEN, COLO.

Nathan Rollins, Department Commander.	Janette L. Todd, Denver, Department President.
J. W. Anderson, Asst. Adjutant General.	Olive C. Butler, Denver, Department Secretary.
Halsey M. Rhodes, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Margelin E. Hamilton, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1895 - DENVER, COLO.

Nicholas J. O'Brien, Department Commander.	Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Department President.
W. Harry Conley, Asst. Adjutant General.	Lida E. Fitch, Laramie, Wyo., Department Secretary.
Halsey M. Rhodes, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Department Treasurer.

1896—DENVER, COLO.

Horace O. Dodge,
Department Commander.
Alonzo Cohn,
Asst. Adjutant General.
Geo. A. Hamilton,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colo. Springs,
Department President.
Marion Sutton, Colo. Springs,
Department Secretary.
Clara Rapp, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1897—COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

U. S. Hollister,
Department Commander.
Marshall S. Crawford,
Asst. Adjutant General.
Wm. W. Roller,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Fannie D. W. Hardin, Denver,
Department President.
Edna E. Hamilton, Denver,
Department Secretary.
Clara Rapp, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1898—CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO.

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Department Commander.
Nathan T. Cox,
Asst. Adjutant General.
Nathan A. Baker,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Lucy M. Campbell, Denver,
Department President.
Hester W. Hartzell, Denver,
Department Secretary.
Clara Rapp, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1899—DENVER, COLO.

Andrew Royal,
Department Commander.
Dan W. Brown,
Asst. Adjutant General.
Nathan A. Baker,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek,
Department President.
Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek,
Department Secretary.
Clara Rapp, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1900—DENVER, COLO.

Harper M. Orahood,
Department Commander.
Thos. J. Foote,
Asst. Adjutant General.
Marshall S. Crawford,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins,
Department President.
Anna D. Fishback, Rawlins,
Department Secretary.
Clara Rapp, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1901—PUEBLO, COLO.

Linus E. Sherman,
Department Commander.
D. W. Robbins,
Asst. Adjutant General.
M. S. Crawford,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Arabella C. Johnson, Ft. Morgan,
Department President.
Kate M. Clatworthy, Ft. Morgan,
Department Secretary.
Ida Critchell, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

1902—ROCKY FORD, COLO.

J. W. Huff,
Department Commander.
Wm. W. Ferguson,
Asst. Adjutant General.
M. S. Crawford,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.

Emily H. Jones, Greeley, Colo.,
Department President.
Anna B. Sanborn, Greeley,
Department Secretary.
Ida Critchell, Denver,
Department Treasurer.

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Cripple Creek
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*Sybil E. Watson, Chaplain, Pueblo
*M. L. Jennings, I. and I. Officer, Rawlins
Arabella C. Johnson, Counselor,
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Fannie D. W. Hardin, Past National Secretary, Denver.

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Augusta B. Henderson, Ohio
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*Mary L. Carr, Longmont
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Roster of Corps.

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" "	Hester W. Hartzell
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" "	Margaret Williams
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" "	Eliza Peters
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" "	Jennie Paddock
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" "	Henrietta Greenlaw
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" "	Mollie Ward
" "	Ella House
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Past President,	Hattie A. Thompson
Delegate,	Myra L. Taylor
Alternate,	Lulu Palmer

No. 11—North Fork—Hotchkiss.

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Past President,	Mary A. Miller*
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Alternate,	Mrs. Stanford

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" "	O. Louise Donnel
" "	Charlotte Irving
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" "	Mary Starr
Alternates,	Olive Foster
" "	Mary E. Morgan*
" "	Elizabeth Muller

6 DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C.

No. 14--Veteran--Denver.

President,	Lucy Girard
Past President,	Emily Cohen
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Past President,	Emily H. Jones*
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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Nineteenth Annual Convention Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

The Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, convened in Odd Fellows Hall, Cheyenne, Wyo., June 18th, 1903, at 9 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by the Department President, Emily H. Jones.

Department President: "The appointed hour for the opening of the Nineteenth Annual Convention has arrived and we will proceed with the business of the session. The Department Chaplain will lead the Convention in the Lord's Prayer."

The Convention then sang America and the flag salute was given, led by the Color Bearers.

Moved by Susie Carr McGwire, seconded by many, that the meeting be an open one until after the reading of the President's address. Carried.

The Department Secretary announced the following Convention appointments:

Assistant Secretary—Phoebe Lassen.

Conductor—Susie Rinn.

Assistant Conductor—Edna E. Campbell.

Guard—Mary A. Patterson.

Assistant Guard—Bertha Myers.

Color Bearers—Lucy J. Dresser, Esther H. Randolph, Elizabeth R. Clark, Lydia F. Horne.

Pianist—Mrs. Appel.

Convention Aides—Ellen Davis, Susie C. McGwire, Debra Moser, Elsie R. Tew.

Credential Committee—Annie B. Sanborn, Edna E. Campbell.

Resolutions—Therese A. Jenkins, Ida Chritchell, Sybil E. Watson.

Courtesies and Telegrams—Ellie R. Tew, Mary Ullmer, Ruth Dana.

Press—Sadie M. Fisher.

The President presented Past National President Mary L. Carr, Assistant National Aides Mesdames Young and Epperson, and Assistant National Inspector Annie Ohnhaus, to the Convention. Also Past Department Presidents, Lucy M. Campbell and Minnie E. Kingsford, Past Department Secretaries, Marion Sutton and Edna E. Campbell, Past Department Treasurer Sadie M. Fisher, and the present Department officers. All were given the Convention salute.

Ellen Davis was then introduced and gave the Address of Welcome.

Address of Welcome.

Mrs. President, Officers and Members of the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, the true Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic:

It has become my privilege to extend to you a cordial welcome; you who have come from cities, mountains and plains; we welcome you to our beautiful city, our homes and our hearts. We have looked forward to this meeting, and have prepared for it with much pleasure. Our city has put on its holiday attire in your honor, gay with flags and bunting, that makes every true heart beat with pride.

May your stay be an inspiration to us and a pleasure to yourselves.

Looking over the past year it is with a twinge of sadness when we think of the dropping off of intellectual women and noble men, but we must remember it is God relieving the pickets. We will cherish their memory in our hearts, and "cover them over with beautiful flowers."

Never has the Convention of this Jurisdiction assembled under more favorable auspices, or amid greater prosperity.

Our Grand Army is our mouthpiece, what they do we do.

We meet for instruction, and to turn our minds to our own improvements, and to the building up of our own Department. Let us reach up as high as we can, and God will reach down all the rest of the way.

And now in closing, I will say: Just so long as there is a Woman's Relief Corps, it will be loyal to the principles of our organization, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

I bid you all a Fraternal Welcome.

The response to the address of welcome was given by Mary Ullmer of No. 27.

Response.

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Convention:

In behalf of the delegates and visiting members, it becomes my pleasant duty to thank you for this cordial and hearty welcome; for the courtesies extended and for the kind greetings that have everywhere come to us from the citizens of Cheyenne and from J. F. Reynold's Corps.

It is fitting that the words of appreciation should come from Colorado, for we have been wont to look upon our neighbors of our sister city of Cheyenne as the embodiment of whole heartedness and enthusiasm, such as you have recently proven yourselves to be.

Way back in the legends of the war-like tribe, after which your beautiful city is named, a most striking feature stands out prominent. It was the unparalleled vigor with which they Cheyennes pursued any purpose upon which the determined. In war their characteristic feature was bravery and boldness to accomplish, and in peace, their days of celebration and feasting were frequent and famed for their lavish enthusiasm.

Methinks that some of the aristocratic blood of those rugged aborigines must flow through the veins of your leading spirits. Only a few days since, one of the grandest examples of your enthusiasm was displayed in the manner in which you met and entertained the Chief Executive of our Republic.

How grandly you received that genuine American President as he rode in from the plains of the west. The wires flashed to the world that fact, that in devotion to the Chief, each of your people were alike loyal and enthusiastic. Well was the example calculated to impress upon the minds of the young, the true American loyalty to the chosen head of the nation; and more beautiful yet, was the complete subversion of any partisan feeling in the present chosen authority.

Again I wish to thank you, in behalf of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, for your expressions of patriotism, in the generous display of our national colors floating over your beautiful city, an evidence of your appreciation of and loyalty to the defenders of our country.

All honor to the veterans of '61 to '65. They kept our country on the map of the world and our flag in Heaven, and we know your grateful recognition of what they did for us

gives them pleasure. "Gratitude is the fairest flower that sheds its perfume in the human breast," like the sweet quality of mercy, is twice blessed. It is grateful to him upon whom it is bestowed, but brings a double blessing upon the giver.

Patriotism is the heart-throb of a nation, the bulwark behind which all must seek shelter when needed. Bereft of patriotism the heart of a nation grows cold and sordid. The arts will have no enduring impulse and commerce no invigorating soul. Patriotism is not a wild and glittering passion, but a glorious reality.

We, the members of the Woman's Relief Corps, should consider it our especial privilege, and most sacred trust, to inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country in our children. Let no youth leave the schools without being thoroughly grounded in the history of our flag and the principles and incalculable blessings of American citizenship. Let the boys be trained soldiers of constitutional freedom, and our girls the intelligent mothers of freemen. Teach them to honor the courageous and the brave. Teach them to reverence and emulate deeds of our heroes of the Grand Army of the Republic, for we know those were brave men who fought our battles, because the men from whose hands they struck the stars and bars, made up the most gallant army that ever arrayed itself in defense of wrong. Teach them all this, and when our eyes have grown dull, and our hands have lost their cunning, and our hearts have grown cold, they will still, loyal to their trust, perpetuate love of country and pride of country, with equal fervor, among those to whom our name and our blood shall have descended; and when one shall speak to the other of the objects and purposes of our organization, and explain the causes and the great results, which give rise to it, may it inspire this sentiment to them as it does to us now. Thank God, I, I, also am an American.

It is well, therefore, for us to come together for a few days, on occasions like these, to renew old friendships, become acquainted with our new delegates, and consecrate ourselves anew to the service of humanity. And as we are gathered here in this beautiful city of the plains, may our thoughts, actions and legislation, prove we are enlisted in earnest work in promoting the interest of our noble order. May we legislate wisely, use wisdom and discretion in the selection of our officers. Let all personal aspirations and selfish ambition be cast aside. Let us strive to maintain in the future, as in the past, the high standard of excellence for which our organization has ever been distinguished, that of being the best fraternal, loyal, charitable, educational, social and executive

order in existence to-day. Above all let us prove we honor and are worthy to be called the true auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Again, I thank you.

Department Senior Vice President was called to the chair and the President read her address.

Address of Department President.

Officers and Members of the Nineteenth Department Convention:

Greeting and welcome to you all in the spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

So swiftly has the shuttle of time gone in and out in the web of life, that it seems incredible that a year has passed since you bestowed on me the highest gift in your power, and intrusted to me a sacred charge. To-day I bring to you for your approval or your criticism, the result of the year's work. In accepting the position, I realized it was full of care and responsibility, and not for one moment have I forgotten my obligation to you, and have endeavored to perform the duties to the best of my ability. I have been ably assisted by my associate co-workers and what measure of success has been achieved has been by their efficient aid.

In reviewing the work, we can but give a slight outline, a few bare facts, but if you will read between the lines you will find hours of consecrated labor unselfishly and uncomplainingly given. All has not been accomplished which we had mapped out. We seldom reach the ideal height to which we aspire, but it is a pleasing thought to know that the attempt was made.

THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

On assuming the office of President, I gave up all other duties—club, literary and social, and devoted my entire time to the Woman's Relief Corps. My official correspondence has been great, but all letters have been promptly answered, the important ones on the day they were received, if possible.

Eight General Orders, one Memorial Order, one Circular Letter, two Charters and two Rosters have been issued from Department Headquarters. I have traveled 4,000 miles visiting Corps, which shows what a large tract of country is included in our Department. (This does not include the trip to the National Convention at Washington.)

MEMBERSHIP.

We are pleased to report a gradual increase in membership. There are fewer suspensions and more interest has been taken among the older Corps in bringing the work up to a higher standard. While the days of phenomenal growth are past, yet women are realizing as they never did before that the work to be done for the Union veteran must be done now.

"What use for the rope if it be not flung
Till the swimmer's grasp to the rock has clung."

The numberless societies for women which have sprung up in every town and hamlet, have drawn from our order, the mother of all women organizations. Yet many are returning through the efficient help of the Department Aides, and are working with untiring zeal. The Corps showing the greatest increase in membership is Victor, having gained twenty-three by initiation since January.

On September 17th I organized at Pagosa Springs, assisted by our worthy Department Treasurer, General Ed Hatch Corps, with a charter membership of twenty-three. On May 22d, M. L. Jennings, Department I. and I. Officer, assisted by Past Department President Minnie E. Kingsford, organized at Rock Springs, Wyo., John A. Campbell Corps with a charter membership of twenty-one. By request Application Blank for charter has been forwarded to Buffalo, Wyo. Undoubtedly, a Corps will be organized at this point in the near future, as the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home is to be transferred to Fort McKinney, adjacent to Buffalo.

We have now a membership of 1915.

I therefore make recommendation No. 1: That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same—one delegate for every twenty members, and one delegate for the major fraction thereof.

DISBANDED CORPS.

I regret to announce the disbanding of four Corps during the year, namely:

Phil Sheridan,	No. 44,	3 members.
Myron W. Reed,	No. 7,	11 members.
Pikes Peak,	No. 39,	15 members.
Mulligan,	No. 22,	10 members.

Total membership of four Corps, thirty-nine.

Of these, eighteen requested transfer cards. These Corps, with the exception of Pikes Peak, were small isolated Corps, and with little interest in the order. One Corps had not met

since the Inspector was there the year before. One had had no meeting since the election of officers in December. Three of the Corps had never seen the Ritual exemplified outside of their own Corps. I tried in every way to encourage them, urged them to invite their friends to join the order and to induce the dropped members to be reinstated, but to no avail. They were discouraged, and there was nothing to but disband.

FINANCE.

Owing to the state of the treasury at the beginning of the year's work, and no favors having been shown the Department in the way of free transportation, it has been necessary to practice the strictest economy. We have had the expense of five quarters to meet, with the per capita tax of four. While every item has been carefully weighed and no unnecessary expense has been incurred, the income has not been sufficient, at times, to meet the demands. The per capita tax to the National having been reduced to two and a half cents per member, will be of some aid, but not sufficient to reduce the per capita tax to the Department. Hence, recommendation No. 2: That the per capita tax remain the same, 15 cents per member per quarter.

RELIEF WORK.

The relief work has been carried on in a systematic manner, both in Corps and Department. The amount contributed by the Corps, cash and other than money, amounts to the goodly sum of \$3,768.00. The amount given by the Department to cases not covered by Corps amounts to \$108.75.

I commend the Department Relief Committee for their good work, especially the Chairman, Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell, who so willingly and promptly has given her time and strength to alleviate the sufferings of the sick and needy. As the demands for relief, outside the legitimate work of the Corps, is confined almost entirely to Denver, and as so many avenues are now open for help to the needy, and as the Department Council has the power to vote money into the Relief Fund in extreme cases, I make Recommendation No. 3: That the six per cent. of the per capita tax now placed in the Department Relief be reduced to two per cent., and that all former legislation on this matter be rescinded.

DEPARTMENT AIDES.

A Department Aide was appointed in each Corps, and a commission forwarded those accepting. This not merely an honorary position, but an important one which requires much thought and study. An Aide, with energy and tact, can arouse interest in discouraged members, lessen the num-

ber of suspensions and be of great help to the President in various ways.

As there has been a misunderstanding and some confusion concerning the Aide's badges, I would recommend, No. 4:

That the badges of Department Aides be the property of the Corps, the same as officer's badges.

INSPECTION.

Every Corps in the Department was personally visited and inspected by a Department officer. Early in my administration it was found utterly impossible to abide by Decision No. 3 of last Annual Convention. In a Department of illimitable distances, and where the Corps are scattered from the eastern to the western boundary, and from the north to the south line, the question of mileage is an important factor. To minimize expenses it was deemed expedient to combine inspection and official visits. The Department Inspector kindly giving way for me to inspect as many Corps as possible, I therefore selected those most remote and seldom visited by the President.

In September I inspected the Corps on the western and southern slope, going as far west as Grand Junction and as far south as Durango. On this trip I was away from headquarters three weeks, returning in time to make preparations for the National Convention in October. In November I visited the extreme southeastern Corps at Springfield. It required two days and one night traveling and waiting at stations to reach this Corps. One day I spent with the Corps ladies and one day to return to Lamar. It was a cold dreary ride of one hundred miles by stage, but they were so anxious for instruction I felt repaid for all inconvenience. I think but one Department President had visited them before. For the closing ode they sang "God be with you till we meet again." and with the silent pressure of the hand the hand the adieux were made. At this time I visited the Corps at La Junta, Rocky Ford, Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Manitou, Victor and Cripple Creek. I was surprised at the efficiency of the work done by many of the Corps. Many of the members had never seen the work performed outside of their Corps, yet the energy and zeal manifested is wonderful.

The smaller Corps, where they have but a handful, are to be commended for their determination and perseverance to keep their corps alive in order to aid the worthy and needy veteran.

I would urge upon Inspectors the duty of fully knowing the law of the Order, and when instructing refer to Chapter, Article and Section, Rules and Regulations for authority.

As the expense of inspection is great, owing to the long distances between the Corps, I would suggest that the Department President conform to the law and appoint many Assistant Inspectors.

Cordial hospitality coupled with courtesy and kindness was shown me on every hand. Many miles had to be traveled, many a weary hour of waiting for a belated train, but it was all cancelled by the warm greeting and the hearty hand clasp of the Relief Corps women. My thanks are tendered to each one who contributed in any way to my pleasure and happiness.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I fully intended when I assumed the duties of President to visit every Corps in the Department and only a lack of funds prevented. I have inspected and visited officially thirty-four Corps, twelve of these without expense to the Department. I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, McPherson No. 32 and U. S. Grant No. 15 (my home Corps). All held joint installation with the Posts followed by receptions. It was with regret I was unable to accept other invitations tendered to install officers, also to attend re-unions and camp fires.

The legislation of the Eighteenth Convention requiring the President to visit each corps, outside of inspection, while not made compulsory, implies that special effort should be made to carry out this measure. If all the conditions of the Department were equal, this would be commendable. With many of the corps a visit from the President is only a social function, (very pleasant withal) while with others her presence is very much needed to allay discord or prevent dissensions; and also, the visiting of every corps would cause an outlay which the treasury can ill afford, as there is at no time a large surplus of funds on hand, over and above the amount needed for the regular running expenses of the Department, and that which is paid to the National Treasurer, I therefore make recommendation No. 5:

That the action of the Eighteenth Convention be rescinded and the visiting of corps be left to the discretion of the President.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME.

In September accompanied by the Department Treasurer and through the courtesy of the President of Joe Hooker Corps, I visited the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista. I was agreeably surprised with the surroundings of the Home. It was not the dreary waste I had pictured in my imaginings. Trees and lawns surrounded the buildings

which with the addition of the new Assembly Hall will make the quarters ample and commodious. I found the veterans well cared for and surrounded by the comforts of life. The Home is well kept, clean and inviting, with an abundance of good food temptingly prepared.

In March I visited the Wyoming Home at Cheyenne. This Home is soon to be transferred to old Fort McKinney, near Buffalo. We are loth to have the veterans moved so far away; but owing to the limited quarters at Cheyenne and the commodious buildings at the Fort standing unused and owned by the state, it was deemed wise to take this step. It is claimed to be an ideal spot and a most favorable location for the Home. There were thirty-five comrades at the Home and all seemed contented and happy.

Many courtesies were received at both Homes for which thanks are due and tendered.

MEMORIAL DAY.

It is a pleasure to note that a greater respect for Memorial Day is observed throughout our country. It is no longer considered merely a holiday for sports and games, but a holy day for sacred memories.

In Memoriam—

"It singeth low in every heart,
We hear it each and all,
A song of those who answer not,
However we may call."

Twice during the year have our charters been draped. First for our beloved Paul Van Der Voort, the founder of the National Order of the Woman's Relief Corps, and second for Past National Junior Vice President, Amanda Newcomb. Fourteen members of our Department "have passed beyond the weeping and the sighing" and have left sorrowing hearts behind.

"God calls our loved ones, but we lose not wholly
What He has given.
They live on earth in thought and deed, as truly
As in His Heaven."

GRAND ARMY.

It is a pleasure to note the fidelity of the Grand Army, as a body, to the Woman's Relief Corps. Not only from the comrades of our Department, but from those of other Departments, have come words of commendation and loyalty for their Auxiliary. "The gray dust from the road of life has settled in their hair" and their ranks are thinning rapidly. The Woman's Relief Corps should be on the alert to render all possible aid "for the thread is shortening and the curtain will soon descend."

May the action of this convention more strongly cement the bond between the two orders.

SONS OF VETERANS AND LADIES AID.

To the Sons of Veterans and their Auxiliary we extend greeting and wish them success in perpetuating the principles of true patriotism and liberty.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The Woman's Relief Corps accepted the kind invitation of the Department Commander to join the comrades on the official train to attend the Twentieth National Convention in Washington. The route passing through so many historic places and battle fields made the trip a most enjoyable one.

Thanks are hereby extended Commander Huff for courtesies shown.

Our department was represented in the Convention by two Past Presidents, two delegates and the President. The Convention was large and enthusiastic and full of interest. Our Delegate-at-large will give you a full account of proceedings.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.

The report of the Department Patriotic Instructor will show that much has been done throughout the Department along patriotic lines. And since humane teaching has been included in our work an increased interest has been aroused among the school children, and Bands of Mercy have been organized in various places.

OFFICIAL DECISIONS.

Many requests for clearer interpretations of laws have been received. By consulting earlier editions of Journals and a little explanation of Rules and Regulations the questions have been satisfactorily answered. The Department is to be congratulated on the general harmony and good will manifested by the various Corps.

COMMITTEES.

Ida Critchell was appointed committee to visit Soldiers' Homes, and on literature for the same, which duty has been well performed.

GENERAL ORDERS AND JOURNALS.

The General Orders issued by Department Presidents each year number eight or nine. The necessary instruction to be given Corps could be condensed into a much less number. I find in many of the Corps, with a large per cent of the members, that the reading of General Orders is "a weariness to

"the flesh." I believe that if the subject matter could be presented in short crisp sentences, to the point, without extra adjectives, that this indifference could be obviated to a great degree. I therefore make recommendation No. 6:

That the number of General Orders be optional with the President, and that if questions of importance arise information be given Corps through circular letters.

Also recommendation No. 7:

That the number of Department Journals printed be reduced to 250, one for each Department officer and delegate present and voting at Annual Convention.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

To Past National President Mary L. Carr and to Past Department President, Arabelle C. Johnson, special thanks are tendered for their kindness and courtesy in making the crooked paths straight.

To the Colorado Railway Association, who kindly gave half rates to the officers whose duties called them to various parts of the Department and thus made it possible to look after the interests of the Order more effectually, thanks are due and acknowledged.

To the D. & R. G., special thanks are due for delivering pool table at Monte Vista free of charge, and also for transportation for Mrs. Benson, S. V. President, who represented the W. R. C. in the presentation of the table to the S. and S. Home.

To the officers and members of the Grand Army, as a body, I herein express my gratitude for their kindness and cordial support.

To my associate officers I extend my sincere thanks for the cheerfulness and promptness with which they met all requests I made upon them.

To the Department Treasurer for her helpfulness and efficient aid; for her many courtesies and hospitality I tender heartfelt thanks.

To my Secretary, who by her constancy and faithfulness, her co-operation and loyalty, has indeed been to me a right hand, I would most sincerely express my gratitude.

To my Chief of Staff and her Aides I offer my heartfelt appreciation for their efforts for the upbuilding and uplifting of our Order.

To those Corps who so generously responded to the call made in Circular Letter, I extend not only my thanks but the thanks also of the comrades of the Home.

To my dear home Corps and U. S. Grant Post, I thank you

for your loyalty and fidelity to me. The memory of your constancy will ever be kindly cherished.

CONCLUSION.

Now we turn to the last page, and to you, loyal co-workers, I submit my report, trusting the confidence you reposed in me a year ago has been met by my fidelity and conscientious devotion to the organization so dear to us all. And while at times the demands have been heavy, yet woven and intermingled with duties, have been also joys and pleasures. The glad welcomes, the warm greetings, the banquets, the receptions, the flowers, the gifts and loving words will be held in grateful remembrance and I hope many acquaintances made, which will be cemented into lasting friendships as the years roll by.

The address was referred to the proper committee.

Mary L. Carr moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended the President for her able address. Seconded by many and unanimously carried.

The President declared the open session closed.

The password was taken, and Conductors reported all present members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Department President: "I now declare the Nineteenth Convention open for the transaction of business."

Roll call of officers showed all present except Delia Mulford, J. V. President; Arabella C. Johnson, Counsellor; Delia F. Buell, Patriotic Instructor, and Jennie G. Harper of the Executive Board.

The Department Secretary announced the Committees on the Officers Reports:

Department President's Address—Mary L. Carr, Longmont; Lucy M. Campbell, Denver; Olive A. Killin, Kiowa.

Senior Vice President's Report:—Belle Opp, Cripple Creek; Mary Neeley, Denver; Elizabeth Martin, Denver.

Junior Vice President's Report:—Alice Ditson, Denver; Mary A. Miller, Hotchkiss; Mary E. Nevius, Aspen.

Department Secretary's Report:—Edna E. Campbell, Denver; Marion Sutton, Boulder; M. L. Jennings, Rawlins, Wyoming.

Department Treasurer's Report:—Minnie L. Benson, Denver; Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins, Wyo.; Ella Byers, Denver.

- Department Chaplain's Report:—Lydia Ellison, Colorado Springs; Seenia Maxwell, Pueblo; Isabel Reinks, Greeley.

Department Inspector's Report:—Ida Critchell, Denver; Cora B. Sawyer, Colorado Springs; Diana Dill, Denver.

Department I. and I. Officer's Report:—Sarah Rosier, Boulder; Mary McCaton, Elbert; Lillie Lamont, Denver.

Department Patriotic Instructor's Report:—Annie B. Leimberger, Cripple Creek; M. E. Dunbar, Evans; Blanche Baumaster, Alamosa.

Department Senior Aide's Report:—Susie V. Lanyon, Longmont; Louise Harding, Denver; Emily J. Vinton, Victor.

Department Press Correspondent's Report:—Johanna Bayer, Florence; Lettie Capell, Colorado Springs; Nellie Moore, Victor.

Department Relief Report:—Jennie McGill, Denver; Anna B. McGee, Victor; Charlotte Epperson, Longmont.

Reports of Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Inspector, I. and I. Officer, Patriotic Instructor, Senior Aide, Press Correspondent and Department Relief were read, and each referred to the proper committee.

Report of Senior Vice President.

DENVER, COLORADO, June 4, 1903.

Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM:—As required by Rules and Regulations of our Order, I submit the following report as Department Senior Vice President. Our President has so fully performed the duties of her office that there has been little for me to do.

I inspected five corps, and was received in a very friendly manner, and many courtesies were shown me. Visited seven other corps, and found all working for the advancement of our beloved Order. Assisted in the arrangements for the reception of the National President Lodusky J. Taylor. Have written forty letters and fifteen postals, and at the request of the Department Treasurer, helped invoice the Department supplies.

At the request of the Department President, I visited the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, the last of May to present to the veterans of the Home the pool table donated by the Corps throughout the Department. Was met at

the station by the President of Joe Hooker Corps, and driven to the Home.

In the afternoon a fine program was given in the Assembly Hall, and the pool table presented. It was received in a very pleasing manner. The veterans had only words of praise for the Woman's Relief Corps, and more than one said, with tears in his eyes: "God bless the Woman's Relief Corps for their kindness to us, and for the good work they have been doing for so many years.

This was the most pleasing experience of the year, and will be a happy memory through life.

Let me take this means of thanking my many correspondents throughout the Department for their friendly letters and good wishes, and may the friendships formed be lasting.

Thanking the Convention for the honor conferred, and wishing for our Order continued success, I am

Yours in F. C. & L.,

MINNIE L. BENSON,

Department Senior Vice President.

Report of Junior Vice President.

BOULDER, COLORADO, June 8, 1903.

Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM:—In compliance with the Rules of the Order my report as Department Junior Vice President is respectfully submitted:

Fully appreciating the honor conferred on upon me at the Eighteenth Annual Convention, I held myself in readiness to do whatever might be required of me.

But as our President has been early and late quietly and faithfully performing every known duty, it has not been my privilege to be assigned any specific work. My office has been one of honor and pleasure. The honor I more fully appreciate from the fact that the Woman's Relief Corps is the largest benevolent organization of women in the world.

My sincere thanks are due the Department President for General Orders, kind letters and many other courtesies, thereby giving me the opportunity to keep in touch with the work.

To all my associate officers I extend my good wishes and trust the friendships thus formed may be lasting.



ANNIE B. SANBORN,
Department Secretary.

May our Order continue to prosper and may we never grow weary in caring for the "Union veteran and his dependent ones."

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
 DELIA A. MULFORD,
 Department Junior Vice President.

Report of Department Secretary.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, }
 GREELEY, JUNE 16, 1903 }

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.:

DEAR MADAM:—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I hereby submit to you the following report of the membership and condition of the Corps of this Department for the official year ending June 1903.

At the beginning of your year of office, the "Tabulated Report" that came into my hands showed a membership of 1,859. 42 Corps in the Department, all in good standing.

The following tables show the gains and losses for the year:

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1902.

GAINS.		LOSSES.	
By Initiation	121	By Death	8
By Transfer	7	By Honorable Discharge ..	8
By Reinstatement from		By Transfer	20
Suspensions	36	By Suspensions	123
By Reinstatement from		By Delinquent Reports...	173
Dropped	7		
Total Gain....		171	Total Loss.....
Number in good standing,		1,698.	

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1902.

GAINS.		LOSSES.	
By Initiation	41	By Death	1
By Transfer	7	By Honorable Discharge ..	12
By Reinstatement from		By Transfer	10
Suspension	33	By Suspension	41
By Reinstatement from		By Delinquent Reports...	112
Dropped	2		
By Delinquent Reports...	146		
Total Gain....		229	Total Loss.....
Number in Good Standing,		1,751.	

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RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1902.

GAINS.		LOSSES.	
By Charter	23	By Death.....	7
By Initiation	96	By Honorable Discharge.	35
By Transfer	9	By Transfer	15
By Reinstatement from		By Suspension.....	111
Suspension	45	Delinquent Reports.....	14
By Reinstatement from			
Dropped.....	3		
By Reinstatement from			
Delinquent Reports..	99		
Total Gain....		275	Total Loss.....
Number in Good Standing,		1,844.	182

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1903.

GAINS.		LOSSES.	
By Initiation	94	By Death.....	4
By Transfer	9	By Honorable Discharge.	9
By Reinstatement from		By Transfer.....	12
Suspension	36	By Suspension.....	69
By Reinstatement from		By Delinquent Reports...	70
Dropped.....	2		
Total Gain....		141	Total Loss.....
Number in Good Standing,		1,821.	164

There are now 40 Corps in the Department, 3 of which are delinquent.

We have added two new Corps, to-wit: Gen. Ed. Hatch No. 10 at Pagosa Springs, Colo., and John A. Campbell No. 7 at Rock Springs, Wyo.

I regret to state the disbandment of four Corps as follows:

Phil Sheridan No. 44 at Buena Vista.
Myron W. Reed No. 7 at Rifle.
Pike's Peak No. 39 at Manitou.
Mulligan No. 22 at Springfield.

AMOUNT OF RELIEF EXPENDED.

CASH.		OTHER THAN MONEY.	
2d Quarter, 1902,...\$	310 20	2d Quarter, 1902,...\$	292 80
3d " " ...	338 82	3d " " ...	358 81
4th " " ...	472 65	4th " " ...	868 25
1st " 1903...	434 37	1st " 1903...	666 10
Total.....		\$1,556 04	Total.....\$2,185 96
Number of Soldiers Assisted,		256	
Total Number of Persons Assisted.....		1,440	

Victor Corps No. 41 shows the greatest increase in membership, their gain being 17, followed closely by J. F. Reynolds No. 9 and Grand Junction No. 17, who have each gained 16 members.

Colorado Springs No. 4 is the banner Corps in members, having 161 members in "Good Standing" at last report. It also leads in "Relief" work, having expended \$198.83 in "Cash" with \$597 10 "Other than money."

Veteran No. 14 comes second, having expended \$116.50 in "Cash" and \$395.00 "Other than money."

CORPS ON THE ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut No. 1, Denver.
 Upton No. 2, Pueblo.
 Sedgwick No. 3, Durango.
 Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs.
 T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden.
 Geo. G. Meade No. 6, Denver.
 J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne.
 Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison.
 Casper W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins.
 U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley.
 Wadsworth No. 16, Rocky Ford.
 Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction.
 R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan.
 Custer No. 20, Laramie.
 Reno No. 21, Denver.
 J. A. Garfield No. 23, Leadville.
 W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans.
 Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa.
 Geo. H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins.
 Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder.
 Elbert County No. 29, Elbert.
 A. J. Smith No. 31, Florence.
 McPherson No. 32, Longmont.
 E. M. Stanton No. 36, Salida.
 M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver.
 John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton.

I am pleased to report only seven rejected candidates.

Applications for "Charters" have been sent to Pagosa Springs, Colo., Rock Springs and Buffalo, Wyoming.

From these Department Headquarters, there have been issued 8 General Orders, 1 Circular Letter, 1 Memorial Order, 1 Roster, 2 Charters, 40 Commissions and 1 Department Password. I have also distributed for National Headquarters, 10 General Orders, including the Memorial Order, 1 Special Circular Letter, 4 Circular Letters, 1 Password, 1 Circular endorsing the "Temple of Fraternity" at St. Louis 1904, and 1 Special Flag Day Letter.

In my official correspondence, I have found the members of this Order most kind and courteous, ever replying to my requests with willingness and dispatch, with an under current of friendliness most stimulating to me, showing me their hearts were earnest, and their desire to excel in the work assigned them, was real and praise-worthy. Ladies, I thank you.

To the Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell, I extend thanks for the many helps given; clearing up and making plain to me matters that without her help would have been difficult and hard to accomplish. I have accepted of her generous hospitality with great pleasure, and feel glad that I have had the opportunity of coming in contact with her efficiency and geniality.

To the Senior Vice President, Mrs. Benson, I am also indebted for kind hospitalities received, and willing aid extended to me.

I came into this Department work an almost entire stranger, I leave it with the very kindest remembrances of its members.

And now, dear Mrs. President, I thank you for honoring me with the office of Secretary; I thank you for your unflinching kindness to me during this whole year. During this year of work, I have learned to know you as I never did before, and your good practical judgment which was helpful, obliterating many obstacles that beset me, making it possible to proceed with my work with renewed courage.

I have made many mistakes, but I hope you will pardon me. I know I shall look back on this year of work in the "Woman's Relief Corps" with varied thoughts, but I shall always know that you have been faithful to the trust you accepted; and that I have been benefited by my contact with you.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ANNIE B. SANBORN,
Department Secretary.

Report of Department Treasurer.

DENVER, COLORADO, June 10, 1903.

Mrs. Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM:—In compliance with Rules and Regulations, I beg leave to submit the following report of receipts and disbursements for the year ending June 10, 1903:

GENERAL FUND.	DEBIT.
To balance on hand.....	\$ 83
To per capita tax.....	1105 95



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To sale of supplies.....	349 74
To Charter fee.....	5 00
To balance returned from 18th Annual Convention.....	35
To balance returned from Nat'l Convention, Wash.....	25 00
Total.....	<u>\$1486 87</u>

CREDIT.

To National Treasurer for per capita tax.....	\$ 202 30
To National Treasurer for supplies.....	197 14
Transferred to Relief Fund.....	63 02
Inspections	173 47
Expenses Nat'l Conv., Washington and badges....	121 75
Testimonial for retiring Department President.....	50 00
Salary Department Secretary.....	75 00
Salary Department Treasurer.....	75 00
Salary Assistant Secretary 18th Annual Convention.....	10 00
Surety bond Department Treasurer 1902, 1903.....	10 00
Expenses Dep't Banner and transportation of same.....	15 25
Expense Council and Auditing Committee meetings.....	18 60
Insurance.....	2 20
Engrossing Charters.....	3 00
Printing and stationery.....	94 00
Printing Journal 18th Annual Convention.....	137 00
Expenses Depart. Officers, postage, telephone, carfare, expressage, office expenses and postage on Journal.....	182 97
Advance on 19th Annual Convention expenses.....	25 00
Bank exchange and Money Orders for the year.....	6 45
Postage on hand.....	3 00

Total disbursements.....	<u>\$1465 15</u>
Balance on hand General Fund.....	21 32

Total.....\$1486 87

RELIEF FUND.

DEBIT.

To balance on hand.....	\$ 67 22
From General Fund.....	63 02
Donations through Chairman of Relief.....	28 75

Total.....\$ 158 99

CREDIT.

To chairman of Relief.....	\$ 125 50
Balance on hand.....	46 49

Total.....\$ 158 99

SPECIAL FUNDS

ANDERSONVILLE PRISON FUND.

	DEBIT.		CREDIT.
To cash.....	\$ 29	To Nat'l Treasurer....	\$ 29
Total.....	\$ 29	Total.....	\$ 29

MEMORIAL DAY IN THE SOUTH.

	DEBIT.		CREDIT.
From Corps.....	\$21 00	To Nat'l Treasurer....	\$21 00
Total.....	\$21 00	Total.....	\$21 00

MC KINLEY MEMORIAL FUND.

	DEBIT.		CREDIT.
From Corps.....	\$ 6 30	To Nat'l Treasurer....	\$ 6 30
Total.....	\$ 6 30	Total.....	\$ 6 30

TEMPLE OF FRATERNITY.

	DEBIT.		CREDIT.
From Corps.....	\$ 5 00	To Nat'l Treasurer....	\$ 5 00
Total.....	\$ 5 00	Total.....	\$ 5 00

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME.

	DEBIT.		CREDIT.
Wyoming Home.....			\$ 61 00
Colorado Home.....			\$180 00
Total.....			\$241 40

	CREDIT.		CREDIT.
Wyoming Home—Cash.....	\$ 57 00		
Literature.....	4 00		
			\$ 61 00
Colorado Home—Cash.....	\$ 11 80		
Literature.....	11 75		
By Pool Table.....	153 60		
By postage and car-fare on Pool Table.	3 25		
			\$180 40
Total.....			\$241 40

Other than money:

Wyoming Home—Graphophone.....	\$14 00
Colorado Home—Comforts, books, tobacco and chairs	44 00
Total.....	\$58 00

ASSETS.

Value of Supplies on hand June 10, 1903.....	\$ 95 91
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Value of Department property including banners, books and files in use.....	300 00
Balance in General Fund.....	21 32
Balance in Relief Fund.....	46 49

Total.....\$463 72

BILLS PAYABLE.

To National Treasurer for supplies.....	\$140 21
To Greeley Tribune, printing.....	6 50
To salaries Department Secretary and Treasurer....	37 50
To testimonial retiring Department President.....	25 00

Total.....\$209 21

It is understood that no portion of the per capita tax for the quarter ending June 30th is included in this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That Department buy from the National Treasurer, Corps Treasurer's Bonds to be sent by Department Secretary with Election Return Blanks.

2. That Corps purchase Department Aide's badges, holding them as other officers' badges.

With the closing of my report, Mrs. President, my year as your treasurer ends. It has been a year of some perplexity and hard work but most pleasurable withal, owing to your unfailing courtesy, wise counsel and willingness at all times to give advice and share my troubles.

My thanks are due you, Mrs. Secretary, for your hearty co-operation in our common worries over quarterly accounts.

I wish here to express my appreciation of the letters of warm regard and sympathy that came to me in time of trial by fire and sickness.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

IDA CRITCHELL,
Department Treasurer.

Report of Department Chaplain.

PUEBLO, COLO., June 16, 1903.

Mrs. Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.:

DEAR MADAM;—I have the honor to submit to you the report for the year ending June 16, 1903. According to the Rules and Regulations this year should not close until June 20th. On account of the change in date of the Department Convention from early spring until June, my report may not be in full.

Thanking the convention in the name of Upton Corps No. 2, and myself for the honor conferred upon me, I submit the following.

Those of our ranks who have passed to the Great Beyond, and have heard the "Well done good and faithful servant," are:

Elwilda Stoddard, Elbert Co., No. 29, Elbert, Colo., died June 10, 1902.

Anna D. Huff, Veteran No. 14, Denver, Colo., died June 28, 1902.

Florence N. Bradford, U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, Colo., died July 4, 1902.

Fanny Lang, Farragut No. 1, Denver, Colo., died October 1, 1902.

Jennie Dunnington, Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colo., died October 22, 1902.

Amelia Crissman, M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver, Colo., died November 22, 1902.

Elizabeth Godfrey, Sedwick No. 3, Durango, Colo., died December 20, 1902.

Madeline Oaks, Elbert County No. 29, Elbert, Colo., died January 17, 1903.

Mary Lemmon, U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, Colo., died January 17, 1903.

Ruth McGill, Reno No. 21, Denver, Colo., died February 20, 1903.

Sarah E. Marsh, George G. Meade No. 6, Denver, Colo., died February 10, 1903.

Eliza Heinder, Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, Colo., died February 2, 1903.

Electa Bell, Upton No. 2, Pueblo, Colo., died March 18, 1903.

Libbie Watson, U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, Colo., died April 3, 1903.

Elizabeth Van Brookline, Reno No. 21, Denver, Colo., died May 12, 1903.

SYNOPSIS OF TABULATED REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Total number of Corps on roster, 40.

Total number of Corps reporting, 29.

Total number of delinquent Corps, 11.

Number of deaths reported to Department Chaplain, 15.

Membership reported, 1236.

Number of members taking part in Memorial Day exercises, 730.

Number of Corps taking part in Sabbath Memorial exercises, 19.

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Number of graves of veterans decorated, 3529.

Number of children taking part, 3344.

Expense incurred for Memorial Day, \$239.00.

Number of Corps providing refreshments for Post, 5.

Number of Corps providing flowers for Memorial Day, 20.

Number of Corps providing Memorial for unknown dead, 19.

Amount of money sent South for Memorial Day, \$14.00.

Total amount of money expended for Memorial Day, \$253.

Thanking you sincerely for your kindness and courtesy to me, I am, yours in F. C. & L.

SYBIL E. WATSON,

Department Chaplain, W. R. C.



MEMORIAL DAY REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN

No.	NAME OF CORPS	LOCATION.	Total Number of Corps in Department	Number of Corps Reporting	Number of Members in good standing.	Number of Members taking part on Memorial Day	Number Children taking part on Memorial Day	Number of Soldiers' graves decorated	What expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for the Post?	Were flowers provided for the Post?	Was a Memorial prepared for the "Unknown Dead?"	Did Corps attend Sabbath Memorial Services?	Is Corps adjacent to large streams or bodies of water.	Did Corps prepare tribute for "Sailor-Soldier Dead?"	Amount contributed for Memorial Day in South
1	Farragut	Denver	76	60	8,010	310	20	No		No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$ 10.00
2	Trifton	Pueblo	75	57	100	200	13	25		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	10.00
25	Pleiffer	Alamosa	27	36	17	16	00			Yes		No	Yes	Yes	10.00	
4	Colorado Springs	Colorado Springs	165	95	50	110				No	No	No	No	Yes	2.00	
5	T. H. Dodd	Golden	57	50	20	39	10	55		No	Yes	Yes		Yes	1.00	
11	North Fork	Hutchins	17	16	18	9	31	70		No		Yes		Yes	2.00	
13	Casper H. Collins	Rawlins	15	40	160	800	9.00							Yes	1.00	
14	Veteran	Denver	68	68	900	800	9.00							Yes	1.00	
15	U. S. Grant	Greely	52	26	150	67							No	Yes	1.00	
16	Watsworth	Rocky Ford	46	30	5									Yes	1.00	
17	Grand Junction	Grand Junction	70	26	200	30	23	30		No	No	Yes			2.00	
19	Winfield Scott	Aspen	52	20	30	56	5	80		Yes	Yes	Yes			2.00	
20	Custer	Laramie	40	6	30	67	71	85		No					1.00	
26	George H. Thomas	Fort Collins	60	50	50	47				No					1.00	
27	Nathaniel Lyon	Boulder	95	40	50	8	1.00					No	Yes		1.00	
29	Elbert County	Elbert	31	9	50	8	1.00					No	Yes		1.00	
34	W. I. Sherman	Evans	14	11	50	14	3.00								1.00	
9	J. F. Reynolds	Cheyenne	64	100	111	4	26.00			Yes	Yes	Yes			1.00	
10	Kibartick	La Junta	20	20	32	40	4.00			No					1.00	
34	E. M. Stanton	Salida	25	22	400	40				Yes	Yes	Yes			1.00	
40	M. M. Crocker	Monte Vista	55	25	1000	840	13.00			No	No				1.00	
43	Joe Hooker	Littleton	32	28	8	16				No	Yes				1.00	
48	J. C. Freeman	Denver	30	21	50	19	3.20			Yes	Yes				1.00	
7	George G. Meade	Rock Springs	85	18	830	9	11.00			Yes	Yes				1.00	
9	John A. Campbell	Rock Creek	21	90	51	6	30.00			No					1.00	
23	J. W. Anderson	Cripple Creek	104	50	50	42	3.00			No					1.00	
38	A. E. Burnside	Loveland	50	12	54	31	4.00			No					1.00	
42	Reno	Denver	58	20	2000	832	9.00								1.00	
42	George Washington	Denver	46	15	830		8.75								1.00	
40			29	1571	865	5582	6120	307	45	6	28	25	25	10	6	17.00

The Secretary announced no report received from Department Counselor.

Report of Department Inspector.

CRIPPLE CREEK, COLORADO, May 13, 1903.

Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM:—I hereby submit my report to this Convention as Department Inspector for the past year.

Every Corps in this Department has been inspected by a Department officer.

As you all know, our Convention was held very late, yet our Department President found time to issue her General Orders, become acquainted with the duties of each officer and inspect 20 Corps, among them Mulligan No. 22, Springfield, fifty-five miles from railroad. How she did it, only she can tell.

Our Department Senior Vice President, Minnie L. Benson, was also anxious to do all she could to make a thorough inspection with the least expense.

While we have lost four Corps during the year we have gained two new ones whose combined membership is 43, so we feel the Department has suffered no serious loss.

We found the Corps, with few exceptions, doing the work in very creditable manner.

While I would like to say more about the corps inspected, as I certainly appreciated all the courtesies shown me, and I could not fail to see all the good work they are doing, yet I feel the finances of the Department must be considered, consequently, I wrote the condition of each Corps as briefly as possible.

Following are the figures of the tabulated report:

Number of regular meetings during the year, 1,077.

Number of members in good standing, 1,859.

Average attendance of officers for the year, 8.

Average attendance of members, including officers, 16.

Amount charged for initiation, not including badges, \$1.02.

Amount charged for yearly dues, \$1.25.

Amount of money in General Fund, \$1,546.41.

Amount of money in Relief Fund, \$752.70.

Amount expended for Relief, \$2,050.79.

Estimated value of relief other than money, \$1,753.30.

Amount of money turned over to Posts, \$328.20.

The following Corps were inspected by Department President, Emily H. Jones, who reports as follows:

Upton No. 2, Pueblo—The Corps is in a most prosperous condition. Twenty-four members out for inspection. The books of Secretary and Treasurer perfect, and the Ritualistic work well done.

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango—Corps in a prosperous condition with accessions of new members frequently. Seven having joined during the year. Sixteen members present for inspection. The President is an earnest and active worker and very anxious to conduct the Corps work in a right manner. They are very deficient in the Flag work, but with the co-operation of the new members will succeed.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs—This is the banner Corps in the Department as regards membership and relief work. Number of members, 151. Relief, money, and other than money, \$1,166.80. The best of feeling among the members. Books properly kept. Seventy-five members present at inspection.

Myron W. Reed No. 7, Rifle—Found the Corps discouraged and in bad condition. But few of the officers had been installed, owing to lack of members present. Had held no meeting since May 24th. Six members present at meeting of inspection. Have since surrendered Charter.

James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville—A large and flourishing Corps in excellent condition and greatly interested in the work of the Order. Thirty members present at inspection.

North Fork No. 11, Hotchkiss—Four members present at inspection. Some members out of town, others too busy with fruit to attend meeting. Nothing could be done but examine books of Secretary and Treasurer. The Corps owns its hall, value \$700.

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison—Corps in good working order. Ritualistic work well done. Eleven members present. No Flag work owing to fewness of members.

Wadsworth No. 16, Rocky Ford—The Corps in a flourishing condition. About twenty members present at inspection. Books well kept.

Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction—Corps doing well and in flourishing condition. The work of the Ritual well performed. Perfect harmony between Post and Corps.

Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen—Corps in flourishing condition. New members being initiated frequently. Anxious to do the work correctly. Corps had kept an old soldier from being sent to the Poor House. Twenty-five members present.

Mulligan No. 22, Springfield—This Corps is fifty miles from Lamar, the nearest railroad point. It had been visited but once before by a Department officer. Five ladies present. They were much discouraged. Have since disbanded.

J. W. Anderson No. 23, Cripple Creek.—This is a strong and efficient Corps. About fifty members present at inspection. The work of the Ritual is thoroughly memorized, including the obligation, initiation, reinstatement and transfer. The books of Secretary and Treasurer neatly and correctly kept. I consider this the banner Corps as regards perfection in work. It is above criticism. A beautiful souvenir spoon was presented me which is highly prized. A reception was held at close of meeting. Commander Huff and many comrades present.

Jim Bowie No. 30, Amethyst.—The President, Secretary and Treasurer, earnest, active women, devoted to the work of the order. Only four members present at time of inspection. Some out of town and a rainy day. Examined books of Secretary and Treasurer and found them correct.

A. J. Smith, No. 31, Florence.—Nine members present at inspection. Work fairly done.

Kilpatrick, No. 34, La Junta.—Renewed interest has been revived in this corps. Nineteen members have been added by initiation and re-instatement during the year. The members have papered the hall and furnished it with organ, chairs, tables, flags, etc., and have a most comfortable place for meetings.

E. W. Stanton, No. 37, Salida.—Corps in a most excellent condition. Books neatly and correctly kept. Twenty-three members present.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou.—Found this Corps on the eve of disbanding, and nothing could change them from their purpose.

Victor No. 41, Victor.—This corps has been bravely struggling for two years to hold together. I urged them not to disband, but to persevere a little longer. Seven members present. Six visitors from Cripple Creek.

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista.—Corps in fairly prosperous condition. Corps meets but once a month. No flag work. Eighteen members present.

Phil Sheridan No. 44, Buena Vista.—Three members present. Had held no meeting for a year. Disbanded.

The following Corps were inspected by Senior Vice President, Minnie L. Benson:

T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden.—A splendid Corps, have added twenty-three members the last year. Ritualistic work well done. Treasurer's and Secretary's books well kept. The President has our thanks for taking us to the School of Mines.

Ellsworth No. 28, Central City.—An excellent Corps. Have initiated twelve members since August 31, 1902. Are

very well drilled. They are a band of earnest women. Many courtesies were shown to Mrs. Ditson and myself.

Elbert County No. 29, Elbert.—Have a good membership, but owing to the many miles they have to travel the attendance is small. The ritualistic work might be better, but this I think is due to the regular officers not being present. Too much credit cannot be given these loyal women.

Major Anderson No. 35, Arvada.—On account of its being a rainy day, but few members present. Inspected the books of the Secretary and Treasurer.

J. C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton.—A good attendance considering the circumstances. Work fairly well done. Several new members have been initiated during the year. Corps encouraged by the visit of Inspector and many guests from Denver Corps. Corps and Post in perfect harmony.

Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa.—Inspected by Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell. Corps harmonious. Quite a sum of money at interest. An energetic corps taking pride in doing their work well. Some relief work. A thoroughly good Secretary and Treasurer who understand their work. The President an earnest, active worker.

The following Corps were inspected by Department Inspector, Annie B. Leimberger.

Farragut No. 1, Denver.—Corps in fine condition. The Ritualistic work well done. A good Secretary and Treasurer. Books well kept.

George G. Mead No. 6, Denver.—I found this Corps in good condition. It being a rainy day, the attendance was not very large. Inspected the books of Secretary and Treasurer and found them correct. One-half of all monies received is turned into the relief fund. I saw something in this Corps that we do not often see. The Guard is Past National Secretary, Fannie D. W. Hardin.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne.—I inspected this Corps Oct. 6th. The books of Secretary and Treasurer well kept. Made some correction in entering with candidates, and flag work. Otherwise the work is well done.

Casper W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins.—This is the home Corps of Past Department President, Minnie E. Kingsford. A very harmonious Corps. Books in fine condition and work well done.

Veteran No. 14, Denver.—The reports of this Corps given at inspection show that they do a great deal of relief work. The work of the officers was well done but special praise is due the Guard and Assistant Guard, as their work was perfect. Books correct.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley.—This is one of the best Corps

ING AUGUST 31, 1903.

No.	NAME OF	Are all members when two quarters in arrears for dues reported as suspended in Quarterly Reports?	Are copies of regular Quarterly Report sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did the Corps send a Representative to last Department Convention?	Did the Corps Representative make a report of the Proceedings of last Department Convention?	Is the work of the Annual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and books correct?	Is the work of the Treasurer properly performed and books correct?	Do the books of Secretary and Treasurer show that they have been audited quarterly by the Auditing Committee?
		16	17	18	19	20	A	B	C	D	E
1	Farragut.....	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Upton.....	Yes	"	"	"	"	Part	"	"	"	"
3	Sedgwick.....	No	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
4	Colorado Sprin	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
5	T. H. Dodd	"	No	"	No	No	No	"	No	"	No
6	Myron W. Ree	Yes	Yes	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	"	Yes	"	Yes
7	George G. Mc	"	"	"	"	No	No	"	"	"	"
8	James A. Garf	No	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"
9	J. F. Reynolds	Yes	No	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
10	North Fork...	"	Yes	"	"	"	Part	"	"	"	"
11	Gunnison.....	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"	"
12	Casper W. Col	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"
13	Veteran.....	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
14	U. S. Grant...	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	No
15	Wadsworth.....	"	"	"	No	No	No	Yes	"	"	Yes
16	Grand Junction	No	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	"	"	"
17	R. A. Cameron	Yes	No	"	No	Part	Yes	"	"	"	No
18	Winfield Scott	"	Yes	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	"	"	Yes
19	Custer.....	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
20	Reno.....	"	No	"	"	"	No	"	"	"	"
21	Mulligan.....	No	Yes	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"
22	J. W. Anderse	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
23	W. T. Sherma	"	"	"	"	"	Part	"	"	"	"
24	Pfeiffer.....	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"	"
25	George H. Th	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"
26	Nathaniel Ly	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
27	Ellsworth.....	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"	"
28	Elbert County	"	"	No	"	No	"	"	"	"	No
29	Jim Howie...	"	Yes	"	"	Yes	No	No	No	"	"
30	A. J. Smith	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	"	Yes
31	McPherson...	"	No	"	"	"	No	"	"	No	No
32	Kilpatrick.....	"	"	"	No	No	"	"	"	Yes	Yes
33	Major Ander	"	Yes	"	Yes	Yes	Part	"	"	"	"
34	E. M. Stanton	"	No	"	No	No	No	No	"	"	"
35	A. E. Burnside	"	Yes	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	"	"	"
36	M. M. Crocke	"	"	"	No	No	No	"	No	No	No
37	Victor.....	"	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	"	Yes	Yes	Yes
38	George Washi	"	"	"	No	No	No	"	"	"	No
39	Joe Hooker...	"	"	"	"	"	Part	"	"	"	Yes
40	J. C. Freeman	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

TABULATED REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1903.

No.	NAME OF CORPS	LOCATION.	Number of Regular Meetings in the year.			Number of members in good standing	Average Attendance of Officers for year.	Average Attendance of Members, including officers, for year.	Amount charged for Initiation (not including price of badge).	Amount charged for yearly dues.	Amount of money in General Fund.	Amount of money in Relief Fund (if none, so report).	Amount expended for Relief for year.	Estimated value of Relief other than money for year.	Amount of money turned over to Post for year.	Is the number of Rituals complied?	Have all Reports and Dues been forwarded to Department Headquarters?	Does the Treasurer require that the members in arrears be required by obligation?	Are there any Treasurers or assistants' visit and call on members in arrears to delinquent their dues?	Are all members when two quarters in arrears for dues reported as such in Quarterly Reports? If not, state how many work in arrears.	Do the Corps send a Representative to Last Department Convention?	Did the Corps Representative make a report at the Conventions of Last Department Convention?	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it otherwise properly performed?	Are the Secretaries properly performed and books correct?	Is the work of the Treasurer properly performed and books correct?	Do the books of Secretary and Treasurer show that they have discharged their duties properly by the Auditing Committee?	
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1	Farragut	Denver	42	72	10	34	21.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 22.95	\$ 13.70	\$ 64.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 10.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Upton	Pueblo	46	61	11	19	1.00	1.00	32.80	37.00	57.00	69.75		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
3	Sedgewick	Durango	12	26	12	20	1.00	1.00	38.29	17.47	10.00	10.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4	Colorado Springs	Colorado Springs	34	151	12	50	1.00	1.20	57.87	62.43	792.23	374.53	10.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
5	T. H. Dodd	Golden	22	11	9	14	1.00	1.00	19.00	20.49	1.45	13.75		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
6	Muron W. Reed	Rifle	12	8	4	14	1.00	2.00	4.15	5.15	35.00			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
7	George G. Meade	Denver	53	77	14	25	1.00	2.00	7.34	18.36	182.10	54.85	16.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
8	James A. Garfield	Leadville	48	74	8	25	1.00	2.00	48.59	11.52	15.00	75.00	50.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
9	J. F. Reynolds	Cheyenne	24	45	8	12	1.00	1.00	167.25	33.50			48.10	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
10	North Fork	Hutchinsk	17	21	5	7	1.00	1.00	6.50	8.16				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
11	Gunnison	Gunnison	22	25	7	9	1.00	1.00	50.34	6.19	32.80			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
12	Casper W. Collins	Rawlins	24	52	9	17	1.00	2.00	40.08	6.94	11.90	85.00	26.45	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
13	Veteran	Denver	42	75	12	33	1.00	2.00	65.67	28.09	157.00	286.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
14	U. S. Grant	Greeley	19	31	10	13	1.00	1.00	34.75	30.00	18.75	10.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
15	Wadsworth	Rocky Ford	19	46	8	12	1.00	1.00	23.53	32.10	7.00	10.00	10.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
16	Grand Junction	Grand Junction	52	50	8	13	1.00	1.00	40.05	2.25	72.00	165.00	10.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
17	R. A. Cameron	Fort Morgan	21	42	8	14	1.00	1.00	8.51	4.50	13.65			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
18	Custer	Laramie	20	30	7	9	1.00	1.00	9.45	9.45	6.05	85.25		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
19	Winfield Scott	Aspen	17	48	10	13	1.00	1.00	372.36	43.75	38.35			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
20	Reno	Denver	43	51	9	1	1.00	2.00	17.21	32.08	67.75	70.50		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
21	Maligan	Springfield	10	16	5	10	1.00	1.00	9.49	5.03				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
22	J. W. Anderson	Cripple Creek	10	16	5	10	1.00	1.00	48.91	7.17	42.45	50.00	15.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
23	Evans	Alamosa	16	15	6	7	1.00	1.00	23.15	6.65	8.15			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
24	Pfeiffer	Fort Collins	21	23	10	12	1.00	1.00	86.73	2.15	49.70			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
25	George H. Thomas	Boulder	21	61	10	14	1.00	1.00	11.78	78.96	27.70	6.70		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
26	Nathaniel Lyon	Central City	17	30	7	11	1.00	1.00	67.49	20.15	70.31	31.75		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
27	Ellsworth	Elbert	26	37	10	21	1.00	2.00		1.15			17.75	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
28	Elbert County	Amethyst	18	35	7	13	1.20	1.00	30.05	17.00	10.00	8.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
29	Jim Howe	Salida	14	14	5	10	1.00	1.00	3.94	25.16	10.00	10.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
30	W. M. Stanton	Engmont	18	31	7	1	1.00	1.00	11.77	7.35	2.65	2.65	10.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
31	McPherson	La Junta	22	35	11	30	1.00	1.00	14.50	117.30	21.20	11.50	25.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
32	Killbuck	Arvada	11	24	5	10	1.00	1.00	16.90	4.85	5.55	12.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
33	Major Anderson	Trinidad	19	19	6	10	1.00	1.00	4.87	1.65				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
34	E. M. Burnside	Lockland	20	23	8	12	1.00	1.00	10.10	8.31	10.00			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
35	A. M. Crocker	Dover	42	45	10	20	1.00	2.00	63.85	45.35	51.00	54.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
36	Victor	Denver	3	8	1	1	1.00	1.00	2.70					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
37	George Washington	Denver	50	50	8	23	1.00	1.00	14.90	39.73	22.50	63.25	3.75	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
38	Joe Hooker	Monte Vista	11	31	6	14	1.00	1.00	11.47	13.70	40.00	109.00		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
39	J. C. Freemont	Littleton	20	26	6	9	1.00	1.00	3.37	2.88			1.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
40			1072	1870	327	659	\$41.00	\$50.00	\$1546.41	\$762.70	\$2050.77	\$1753.30	\$328.20															

in the Department. It is the home Corps of our beloved Department President, Emily H. Jones. A good President, Secretary and Treasurer; fine flag work; good work performed; a harmonious Corps.

R. A. Cameron No. 18, Fort Morgan.—I inspected this Corps at a special meeting. There was no need of instruction as their Treasurer is Past Department President, A. C. Johnson, and Past Department Secretary, Kate M. Clatworthy, is their Secretary. They see that their Corps does its work well.

Custer No. 20, Laramie.—A very good Corps; an excellent Secretary and Treasurer; the best of Ritualistic work; a fine hall.

Reno No. 21, Denver.—This Corps has one of the best Presidents in the Department. She knows the work from beginning to end. A good Secretary and Treasurer. The flag work well done.

W. T. Sherman No. 21, Evans.—No inspection was held owing to the absence of so many of their members from town. I examined the books of Secretary and Treasurer and found them correct. This is a very weak Corps and will need a good deal of encouragement.

G. H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins.—This is a flourishing Corps. Good officers, and books well kept; flag work well done; no need of correction.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder.—It was a pleasure to inspect this Corps because of much interest. A very large attendance; good officers; Ritualistic work well done; books correct.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont.—This the home Corps of Past National President, Mary L. Carr. I found a good Corps; perfect harmony; good officers; books well kept; all work well done.

A. E. Burnside No. 38, Loveland.—Found this Corps very much discouraged. The President living in Fort Collins, coming to Loveland to hold meetings. She is doing all she can to hold the Corps together and is entitled to a great deal of credit. No. flag work and the other work might be better.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver.—A good Corps; work well done and books correctly and neatly kept; a good attendance.

Geo. Washington No. 42, Denver.—I found this Corps, like all of the Denver Corps, in a prosperous condition with all the work well done. A good attendance; books correct; flag work well done.

Consolidated Report of Instituting and Installing Officer for Year Ending June 19, 1903.

RAWLINS, WYOMING, June 13, 1903.

Mrs. Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

DEAR MADAM:—In compliance with the requirements of my office and in the fulfilling of its duties, I herewith submit my report as Department I. and I. officer for the year just closed with consolidated reports of the Installing officers of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C. for the year ending June 1903, as follows:

NAME OF CORPS	No.	LOCATION.	No. of Charter Mem.	Date of Installation	NAME OF PRESIDENT.	NAME of INSTITUTING and INSTALLING OFFICER	MANNER OF INSTALLATION.	
							GENERAL REMARKS	
Farragut.....	1	Denver.....	Jan. 3.....	Mary E. Neeley.....	Roseta Fairchild.....	Public and joint with Post Public and joint with Post	
Upton.....	2	Pueblo.....	Jan. 3.....	Sera Maxwell.....	Sybil Watson.....		

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Farragut.....	1	Denver.....	21	Jan. 3.....	Mary E. Neeley.....	Roseta Fairchild.....	Public and joint with Post
Upton.....	2	Pueblo.....		Jan. 8.....	Sera Maxwell.....	Sybil Watson.....	Public and joint with Post
Sedgwick.....	3	Durango.....		Jan. 8.....	Alice H. Dudley.....	Jno. W. Wingate.....	Public and joint with Post
Colorado Springs.....	4	Colorado Springs.....		Jan. 10.....	Corra B. Sawyer.....	Emma B. Ormsby.....	Public and joint with Post
T. H. Dood.....	5	Golden.....		Jan. 10.....	Elvina Hadley.....	Charlotte R. Dean.....	Public and joint with Post
George G. Meade.....	6	Denver.....		Jan. 5.....	Eloise Sargent Lehow.....	Fannie D. W. Hardin.....	Public without Post
John A. Campbell.....	7	Rock Springs.....		May 22, 1903.....	Mary A. Clark.....	Mary L. Jennings.....	Private. Two members of Post Present
James A. Garfield.....	8	Leadville.....		Jan. 8.....	Lucy A. Smith.....	Susie J. Sears.....	Joint with Post
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	Chevyenne.....		Jan. 2.....	Ellen Davis.....	Bertha Myers.....	Joint with Post and Army and Navy Union
Gen'l Ed. Hatch.....	10	Pagosa Springs.....		Jan. 8.....	Helen Hayden.....	Hattie A. Thompson.....	Joint with Post and Sons of Veterans
North Fork.....	11	Hotchkiss.....		Jan. 3.....	Alice Galtner.....	Mary A. Miller.....	Private
Gunnison.....	12	Gunnison.....		Jan. 5.....	Celia Mullin.....	Laura E. Miller.....	Public
Casper W. Collins.....	13	Rawlins.....		Jan. 7.....	Olivia Weighman.....	Mary L. Jennings.....	Private
Veteran.....	14	Denver.....		Jan. 8.....	Lucy Girard.....	Persis D. French.....	Public
E. S. Grant.....	15	Greely.....		Jan. 10.....	Mary A. Hall.....	Emily H. Jones.....	Joint with Post
Wadsworth.....	16	Rocky Ford.....		Jan. 7.....	Ira L. Wickard.....	Flora J. Hall.....	Public, joint with Post, Ladies G. A. R.
Grand Junction.....	17	Grand Junction.....		Jan. 10.....	Kate Phillips.....	Sarah E. Oldham.....	Joint with Post
R. A. Cameron.....	18	Fort Morgan.....		Jan. 6.....	Arabella C. Johnson.....	J. D. Johnson.....	Joint with Post
Winfield Scott.....	19	Apen.....		Jan. 2.....	Florence Garkin.....	Mary E. Nevius.....	Private
Custer.....	20	Laramie.....		Jan. 12.....	Mary Robinson.....	S. E. Gardiner.....	Public and joint with Post
Remo.....	21	Denver.....		Jan. 6.....	Elizabeth A. Martin.....	Lucy M. Capron.....	Private
Mulligan.....	22	Springfield.....		Dec. 27, 1902.....	Mary O. Robertson.....	Mary E. Robertson.....	Private
J. W. Anderson.....	23	Cripple Creek.....		Jan. 3, 1903.....	Mary H. Berry.....	Stella A. Kyle.....	Public and joint with Post
W. T. Sherman.....	24	Evans.....		Jan. 8.....	Grace Carson.....	L. A. Herriot.....	Joint with Post
Pfeiffer.....	25	Alamosa.....		Jan. 8.....	Delia Hanold.....	Sadie Simons.....	Public
George H. Thomas.....	26	Fort Collins.....		Jan. 8.....	Sarah L. Davis.....	Olivia L. Mandeville.....	Joint with Post
Nathaniel Lyon.....	27	Boulder.....		Jan. 7.....	Frances J. Welber.....	Emily H. Jones.....	Joint with Post
Ellsworth.....	28	Central City.....		Jan. 1.....	Melitta Seymour.....	Kate McCullough.....	Private
Elbert County.....	29	Elbert.....		Jan. 17.....	Elia B. Moulton.....	Lucy Whiting.....	Public and joint with Post
Im. Bowie.....	30	Amethyst.....					No report
A. J. Smith.....	31	Florence.....		Jan. 9.....	Lucy Kimmell.....	Anna Hurst.....	Private
McPherson.....	32	L. ngmont.....		Jan. 6.....	Susie Vance Lanyon.....	Emily H. Jones.....	Joint with Post
Kidpatrick.....	33	La Junta.....		Jan. 8.....	Sarah E. Chambers.....	Sarah Miller.....	Public
Major Anderson.....	34	Arvada.....		Jan. 5.....	Mary P. Smith.....	Fannie D. Hardin.....	Joint with Post
E. M. Stanton.....	35	Salida.....		Jan. 14.....	Ella C. bleigh.....	Anna Tenbrock.....	Private
A. E. Burnside.....	36	Loveland.....		Jan. 10.....	Mrs. Wiener.....	Ella Davison.....	Joint with Post
M. M. Crocker.....	37	D. nter.....		Jan. 7.....	Louise V. Kading.....	Sarah E. Waldo.....	Public and joint with Post
Victor.....	41	Victor.....			Nellie Moore.....	Anna McGee.....	Private
George Washington.....	42	Denver.....		Jan. 5.....	Millicent Miner.....	Debra Moser.....	Public and joint with Post
Jon Hooker.....	43	Monte Vista.....		Jan. 18.....	Lida Strawn.....	P. S. Aldrich.....	Joint with Post
J. C. Freemont.....	45	Littleton.....		Jan. 14.....	Martha E. Thomas.....	Dora Horton.....	Public and joint with Post

In closing the work of the year, it is with pleasure I report the institution of two Corps in the Department, Gen Ed. Hatch No. 10 of Pagosa Springs, Colo., and John A. Campbell Corps No. 7 of Rock Springs, Wyo. The former was instituted by our President with a charter membership of 23. The latter by myself, assisted by Mrs. Kingsford, with a charter membership of 21.

In conclusion I wish to thank the President and Secretary for courtesies shown. With earnest wishes for the continued success of the Woman's Relief Corps and for the perpetuation of the principles upon which it is founded, this report is respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

MARY L. JENNINGS,
Department Instituting and Installing Officer.

Report of Department Patriotic Instructor.

SALIDA, COLO., June 10, 1903.

Mrs. Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you, and through you to our Department President, and the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps of Colorado and Wyoming, a report, consolidated from the returns forwarded to me from Corps Patriotic Instructors of our Department, for the year ending June 30, 1903, and a meager account of the work accomplished by them and myself during this administration. My desire was to present this report in a simple and concise manner, but as this work is apparently new with Corps, "not patriotism," I have had to do much writing to explain what was required, as the tabulated report does not show the credit due us, yet we will find a way to overcome this in time. I was quite willing to accept the office of Patriotic Instructor, when I was so appointed by our Department President, thinking that I would enjoy the work as I have always had an ambition to do something along this line. But this has been a very busy year with me, as I have assumed other responsibilities as well; still I have not neglected my patriotic duties during the time, and my great desire has been to be able to accomplish more. In fact, I became quite impatient at times when blanks did not arrive on time, and leaflets promised were a little late, and many Corps asking for them. But I had had kind assurances given me by a good sisterly letter from our worthy National Instructor, Mrs. Lue Stuart Wadsworth, that if I needed advice or assistance, she would gladly give it if possible. I suspect I wrote her a doleful letter, but it bore my message and was rewarded by a kind answer, giving me new hope

and encouragement. After replying to many letters, I sent to each Corps two blank reports and two flag-salute leaflets, and later, Memorial Day and Flag Day leaflets; also flag drills and leaflets on humane teaching. I received a few letters saying that Corps Instructors could do better work if they had the Patriotic Primer and other supplies to distribute and why I did not send them. I replied to these letters explaining. My successor can avoid this, I think, if she secures a price list of Corps P. I. supplies, telling where they may be obtained, and enclose with blanks, when sent out. I would have sent out a circular letter but the National Instructor and our Department President in their General Orders to Corps, explained the duties of the Corps Instructor so well that it was not deemed necessary for me to do so. Our Department President inserted in a recent order, that Corps Instructors fill out their blanks and return to Department P. I. by May 20th. On May 26th I had received but three reports.

Becoming anxious, I sent each of the other Corps asking them to fill out blanks by June 3d and forward to me, and also write something telling of their work in this line, for the past year.

To my glad surprise, they began to come, and I have now heard from thirty Corps; and while no great things have been reported done, we can safely say our Corps are doing most excellent work, and the efforts made by the noble women under adverse circumstances are to be congratulated, and we say to them, 'take courage and go on.' Your work is being felt and appreciated throughout the land.

The following are the thirty Corps sending reports:

No. 1—Denver.	No. 23—Cripple Creek.
" 2—Pueblo.	" 24—Evans.
" 4—Colorado Springs	" 25—Alamosa.
" 5—Golden.	" 26—Fort Collins.
" 6—Denver.	" 27—Boulder.
" 8—Leadville.	" 28—Central City.
" 9—Cheyenne, Wyoming.	" 29—Elbert.
" 10—Pagosa Springs.	" 32—Longmont.
" 11—Hotchkiss.	" 35—Arvada.
" 12—Gunnison.	" 37—Salida.
" 13—Rawlins, Wyoming.	" 38—Loveland.
" 14—Denver.	" 40—Denver.
" 15—Greeley.	" 41—Victor.
" 16—Rocky Ford.	" 42—Denver.
" 21—Denver.	" 43—Monte Vista.

Several of our largest and best Corps have sent no report, but we are pleased for the following:

Sophia M. Cooper, Farragut, Denver, reports 46 public

schools visited; five with 2,500 pupils. In one room the Oleograph and history of the Stars and Stripes were placed. Declaration of Independence and Chart, 1 room; also Patriotic Primer, National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed.

Lucinda Smith of Upton Corps, Pueblo, reports fifteen schools, visited eight, placed flags in 21 rooms; making in all 119 flags; Declaration of Independence Chart in eight rooms, Patriotic Primer in three. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed. Humane teaching in schools. One Band of Mercy formed by W. R. C. Seventy-five leaflets distributed. The flags given by the Corps are of Pongee silk, 32x48 inches, mounted on staffs with standards. She also enclosed the following clipping taken from a Pueblo paper:

"One of the most impressive object lessons, in the line of patriotic teaching, was given on Friday last in the city, when six members of the Upton Corps, W. R. C., acted as pallbearers at the funeral of an old soldier who died here seemingly friendless and alone. One comrade of the G. A. R. preceded the casket, and demonstrated the fact to onlookers that in Pueblo, at least, no matter how short the notice given no old soldier would be laid away without some tribute of loving appreciation. A woman's auxiliary to the G. A. R. was beautifully illustrated. It may be, and probably is a fact, that nowhere else has such a touching scene been witnessed. A visitor in the city desires to thank the members of Upton corps for the lesson, so appropriate to this "Memorial Season."

Ella A. Courier, Colorado Springs Corps, reports 14 school buildings, 3 visited by P. I. The children gave the flag salute. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed.

E. S. Hitchcock of F. H. Dodd Corps, Golden, reports two school buildings, flags in each room. Flags hoisted on National holidays. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed.

Fannie D. W. Hardin of Geo. Mead Corps, Denver, reports that her long siege of sickness has prevented her from doing but little work in this line. Still, as she lives near the Broadway schools, has visited them and learned that all schools held patriotic exercises on Friday, May 29th, and closed at noon that the children might gather flowers to decorate the graves of the fallen veterans on May 30th. I called unexpectedly on them at the Broadway school on Friday morning, to give them an Oleograph. I asked for the Principal, and when I explained the nature of my visit, I was taken to the rooms of the 7th and 8th grades, where they were holding patriotic exercises, all bearing on the Civil War and Memorial Day. I was invited to address the child-

ren and then presented the Oleograph and history of the Stars and Stripes. The principal accepted these gifts with thanks.

Anna Ohnhaus of J. F. Reynolds Corps, Cheyenne, reports seven schools, 5 public, 1 convent and 1 private. Five visited by Instructor. 2 flags placed in schools. 5 schools hoist flag during school hours. 13 Patriotic Primers placed in rooms. National Anniversaries observed, also Flag Day.

Alice Galliher, North Fork Corps of Hotchkins, reports: Has no P. I., Corps small; there seems so little for us to do. Schools in the hands of a Patriotic principal. Next term of school the flag will be hoisted during school hours, as the money has been raised for this purpose. Do not think us lacking in patriotism. "If you could have seen the crowd that took part in Memorial Day exercises you would think us patriotic enough. The Corps served dinner for at least 150 people."

Jessie S. Purrier, Gunnison Corps of Gunnison, reports patriotism in three schools, and the Corps has presented the schools with five flags. Had a flag and pole raising at the cemetery, a number of the school children attending, sang appropriate songs and gave the flag salute.

R. A. Daley of Caspar Collins Corps, of Rawlins, Wyo., reports two schools visited by P. I. Eight flags placed by Corps in school rooms and flag hoisted during school hours; one Chart, Declaration of Independence and one Oleograph placed in school rooms. National Anniversaries observed. Patriotic contests held under the direction of the W. R. C.

Adelia Darrow, of Veteran Corps, Denver, reports forty schools; three visited by the P. I. All hoist flags during holidays. Flags placed in three rooms by the W. R. C. Patriotic Primer in three. National Anniversaries observed, also Flag Day. Humane training taught in schools. Many leaflets distributed by Corps, and Bands of Mercy formed.

Kate E. Hanna, U. S. Grant Corps, Greeley, reports eight schools, all visited by P. I. Flags placed in 7 rooms. National Anniversaries and Citizen's Sunday and Flag Day observed. Humane training taught in schools.

Emma A. Godding, Wadsworth Corps, Rocky Ford, reports three schools, all visited by P. I. Flags placed by Corps in 25 rooms; also 25 Charts of Declaration of Independence, 25 Oleographs and 25 Primers. National Anniversaries, Flag Days observed. Many leaflets on Humane teaching distributed.

Olive Hogle, of Reno Corps, Denver, reports 40 schools, 5 visited by P. I. Flags placed in 3 rooms by W. R. C.; flags hoisted on occasions. Declaration of Independence

placed in one school room, Primers in 3 rooms. National Anniversaries observed. Patriotic contest held under direction of W. R. C. Patriotic teaching in schools. Many leaflets distributed.

Estelle E. Nichols, J. W. Anderson Corps, Cripple Creek, reports she has visited schools in neighboring towns and Cripple Creek. The schools have introduced the flag salute in their closing exercises. She has also a class of 40 children she is instructing along lines of patriotism, as suggested by circular sent by Department P. I., of recent date; also introducing flag drill No. 2, and will utilize same Flag Day, if it is the pleasure of the Corps.

Eliza Rickard, of W. T. Sherman Corps, of Evans, reports one school and visited one by P. I. Flag hoisted on school building during school hours. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed.

Fannie Simons, of Pfeiffer Corps, Alamosa, reports one school. Flags in 5 rooms. Flag raised on building during school hours. Patriotism taught. Independence Chart placed in one room. National holidays and Citizen's Sunday observed. Patriotic contest held.

E. M. Phelps, Geo. H. Thomas Corps, Fort Collins, reports four schools, two of which raise flags during school hours. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed. Our Corps is growing in numbers and interest.

Melita Seymour, of Ellsworth Corps, Central City, reports they have done very little patriotic work. The schools have flags, children give the flag salute, and patriotism is taught.

Bacia Grebe, of Elbert County Corps, reports: County has 39 schools, visited 3. Fifteen raise flag on holidays. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed.

Mrs. Mary L. Carr, McPherson Corps, of Longmont, reports four schools. 20 rooms have flags. 4 schools raise flag during school hours. 4 rooms have Independence Chart. 3 the Oleograph and 2 the Patriotic Primers, placed by W. R. C. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed. Humane literature read by teachers to pupils. The fact is, the "Course of Study" is so covered, that there is but little opportunity for the introduction of patriotic instruction, aside from the regular course. I consider that patriotism and love of country the foundation of all good citizenship, and every effort should be made to impress upon the tender minds of our children these great principles.

Mary P. Smith, of Maj. Anderson Corps, of Arvada, reports three schools. All have flags. The Corps has done but little in teaching patriotism, but seems more interested recently. Memorial Day services were well attended; had a

flag drill by 12 little children. As they finished, Vice Commander Millett, pinned a small flag on each little breast, which was quite impressive.

Mrs. L. Yeager, of E. M. Stanton Corps, Salida, reports three schools of 20 rooms. Visited by Corps Instructor in company with the Department P. I. and Comrade Harbottle, who addressed the pupils and invited them to participate in Memorial Day services. 17 rooms have flags. Patriotism taught in all rooms. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed. 50 leaflets on Humane teaching distributed, and 25 on flag salute. The Corps had the new services for navy or sailor dead. Had a miniature war ship made, beautifully decorated with flowers and flags, carried by four little girls in the parade. The Corps had their services on the bridge over the Arkansas. At the close of the services the little girls lowered the ship by means of red, white and blue ribbons. The band playing as it floated away, hundreds of bouquets of flowers being strewn upon the waters at the same time. It was truly a most beautiful and impressive sight.

A. M. Grenell, of Burnside Corps, Loveland, reports 4 schools, 3 visited by P. I. 2 schools raise the flag during school hours. National Anniversaries, Flag Day and Citizen's Sunday observed.

Ellen R. Bruce, M. M. Crocker Corps, Denver, North Side, reports 9 schools; 2 visited by P. I. 9 schools raise the flag during school hours. Independence Chart placed in one room; Oleograph in one room. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed. Humane teaching in schools.

Mrs. Robert Tallon, Victor Corps, reports 4 schools. 2 visited by P. I. 2 raise the flag during school hours. National Anniversaries, Citizen's Sunday and Flag Day observed.

Mrs. Wm. Miner, Geo. Washington Corps, Denver, reports sickness has retarded her work. Flags placed in four rooms by W. R. C. 40 schools raise flag during school hours. Independence Chart placed in one room. Primer in 3 rooms. National Anniversaries and Flag Day observed. A great deal of Humane teaching. Many leaflets distributed. Bands of Mercy in each school.

Lida Strawn, Joe Hooker Corps, Monte Vista, reports: Return no blanks filled out, but writes, "our Corps is growing slowly but surely, and have been doing good work along the line of patriotism. 34 members in Corps, of the best women in Monte Vista. Our Home boys are very fond of their pool table. I visited the Home on business Monday. One old comrade with tears in his eyes, clasped my hands and said: "God bless the W. R. C., their work is a work of

love;" we work under difficulties, as the G. A. R. circle holds forth, and we get little recognition. Thirty Corps members attended Memorial services at the Soldiers' Home.

E. G. Bovee, Genl. Ed Hatch Corps, Pagosa Springs, reports four schools or departments, all visited by P. I., but failed to get the supplies needed before school closed, and now quarantined for scarlet fever; so report is meager.

Mary E. Ulmer, of Boulder Nathaniel Lyon Corps, and Laura Corder, Garfield Corps, Leadville, reports came too late, but have been tabulated.

In conclusion will say, I regret that I have not accomplished more in this office, which I have the honor to hold; and with sincere appreciation for the kindness shown me by the officers and co-workers, now beg leave to submit my consolidated report, taken from tabulated reports.

Yours Respectfully in F., C. and L.,
DELIA F. BUELL.

Consolidated Report of Department Patriotic Instructor.

Madam: I have the honor to make the following report on Patriotic Work for this Department:

Number of Schools in Department.....	225
Number of Schools Visited.....	84
Number of Schoolrooms in which a Flag has been Placed by the W. R. C.....	85
Number of Schools that Hoist the Flag During School Hours.....	113
Number of Schoolrooms in which the Declaration of In- dependence Chart has been Placed by the W. R. C..	45
Number of Schoolrooms in which the Oleograph of the Origin and History of the Stars and Stripes has been Placed.....	32
Number of Schoolrooms in which the Patriotic Primer has been Placed.....	81
Number of Towns or Cities observing National Anniver- saries.....	27
Number of Towns or Cities observing Citizen's Sunday (the First Sunday in October).....	2
Number of Patriotic Contests held under the direction of the W. R. C. Many, not definite.	
Number of Towns or Cities observing Flag Day (June 14).....	23
Number of Towns or Cities where anything has been done by the W. R. C. for Humane Teaching.....	9
How many Leaflets on Humane Teaching distributed...	125
How many "Bands of Mercy" formed. Several not definite.	

How many Leaflets on Flag Salute sent Corps Patriotic
Instructors..... 300
Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,
DELIA F. BUELL,
Department Patriotic Instructor.

Report of Delegate at Large.

ROCKY FORD, Colo., June 1, 1903.

Mrs. Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary W. R. C.:

On October 3, 1902, I left Denver over the official Route, "The Rock Island," for Washington, D. C., to attend the 20th National Convention of the W. R. C. I met old friends and made many new ones on the long journey to the National Capital.

Owing to the constant rain, we lost our right away, and so ran behind our schedule time, causing us to remain side tracked a good share of our time, but through it all good nature prevailed, and if we hit the meal stations on time well and good, if not we bought chicken sandwiches and hot coffee, which were in evidence at every station, peddled by Sons of Ham, in every shade of color, from the darkest ebony to the light, almost white tint.

Our route ran through the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, and the scenery was most beautiful, especially along the banks of the Kanawa and Blue Rivers. We passed through Charlottesville, the old home of Jefferson, and through the battle fields of Bull Run and Mannasas. The glimpses we had of those, however, were most tantalizing.

We reached Washington on Tuesday, 7 a. m., and were soon comfortably settled in our Headquarters, and proceeded at once to the business of sight seeing.

On Wednesday I witnessed the grand parade with 35,000 veterans in line. The procession took 5 hours and a quarter to pass the reviewing stand. Colorado and Wyoming came out 200 strong, headed by the George W. Cook Drum Corps of Denver, which, because of its size and proficiency, attracted a great deal of attention, throughout the entire Encampment.

Many of Comrades seemed very feeble and unable to stand the strain of the long march. It was a very impressive sight, and one long to be remembered.

On Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, the 20th National Convention of the W. R. C. met in the Church of Our Father,

presided over by the National President, Mrs. Calista Robinson Jones; National Headquarters were at the Ebbitt House.

Our Past National President, Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Past National Secretary, Mrs. Fannie D. W. Hardin, Department President, Mrs. Emily H. Jones, Delegate Mrs. Lydia Young and your Delegate at Large, Mrs. Emma A. Godding, were present from Colorado.

A pleasant feature of the morning was the presentation to the President, Mrs. Jones, of two gavels. One of them, presented by Mrs. Hattie Ford of Rhode Island, was made from wood from the old Gaspey House in Providence, R. I. The other, presented by Mrs. Mary M. North, was made from wood grown on the Mount Vernon estate. A magnificent basket of roses was presented to Mrs. Jones in behalf of the Department of Vermont.

The Committee on Courtesies presented to the Convention Miss Clara Barton, of Red Cross fame, and Mrs. John A. Logan. Miss Barton's extreme feebleness prevented her from making an address. Mrs. Logan's presence was a very interesting feature of the Convention.

Of the routine work of the Convention I will not speak at length, as all of you have had the opportunity of reading it, and it would be but a tiresome repetition.

The reception of the W. R. C. was held in Convention Hall, the largest hall in the city, and was a very brilliant affair. Thursday afternoon from four to six, Mrs. Roosevelt received the members of the patriotic organizations, in the Corcoran Art Gallery. Assisting her were the wives of the cabinet officers. The famous Marine Band gave beautiful selections from hidden recesses in the immense building. Mrs. Roosevelt has a very gracious manner, and is certainly a most charming woman.

The city was gay with flags and bunting and everything was done to add to the comfort and pleasure of the thousands of visitors who poured into the city during the week.

Two landmarks are conspicuous upon the hills that encircle Washington.

The Colonnaded porticoes of Arlington House on the west, and the towers of the U. S. Soldiers' Home on the south. The Soldiers' Home is for the benefit of the men who have been honorably discharged from the regular army or who have been disabled by wounds or sickness. Just north of the grounds is the National Cemetery, where 7,000 soldiers are sleeping their last sleep. The grounds comprise 512 acres of lawn slope and meadow.

We visited Arlington, where rest 18,000 soldier dead. It

is surely consecrated ground, to which thousands of visitors come every year to honor those "Who gave their lives that their Country might live." The mansion is on the brow of the hill whose slope stretches one half mile to the Potomac River. The traveller of to-day, though he come from distant lands, will pronounce the view one of the most beautiful he has ever beheld.

It is wide and far reaching and the Federal Cemetery and National City stand close together, and it is well, for if it needs have been that the men who rest at Arlington, should die for their country, what is more fitting than in the Bivouac of the long night, they should sleep on the heights overlooking the Capitol itself, close to the heart of the Nation they gave their blood to maintain.

The grounds of Arlington are most beautiful, but above all that the skill of man has done, one sees the majesty of the site itself, with its slopes, ravines and hills covered with the grand old trees that have withstood the storms of centuries past. It would seem as if it had been foreordained, for its final purpose, that of the resting place of the Nation's heroic dead.

The most impressive sight, is the field of dead on the level plateau, where the headstones stretch away in lines endless to the vision, and marshalled as battalions for review, 18,000 strong. Among the many beautiful monuments erected at the graves of the Officers buried there, is one at the grave of General Cook, and depicts the surrender of the Apache Chief Geronimo, and among the portraits chiseled on the face of the monument, is that of Capt. Jack Crawford.

Arlington House was built in 1803, and was originally the property of Martha Custis Washington, and came into the family of Robert E. Lee through inheritance.

We next visited the quaint old city of Alexandria, one of the most interesting reminders of George Washington. We were shown through the Carlyle House, a picturesque ruin on the banks of the Potomac, built in 1732.

We stood at the foot of the stairs where Washington waited for Miss Sallie Fairfax to descend, and in the rooms where they danced the minuet. Tradition has it that here Miss Sallie refused the hand and heart of Washington, thereby rendering him unconsolable until he met the fair widow Martha Custis.

We saw the Marshall House, where Colonel Elmer Ellsworth paid the penalty of his life, for tearing down a Confederate flag, one of the most dramatic incidents of the Civil War.

A very interesting spot is the old Christ Church, where

both Lee and Washington worshiped; and the Masonic Hall, where Washington presided as Worshipful Master, as well as many other historic spots, which space prevents my mentioning.

Our next point of interest was Mt. Vernon. The mansion occupies a beautiful spot on the banks of the Potomac and the house and grounds have been restored by the Mt. Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union, who have made it as nearly as possible the same place as when Washington lived there.

The association of Washington with the place during his life and the presence of his tomb makes Mt. Vernon a shrine of patriotism, and to the Ladies' Association we owe the preservation of Mt. Vernon to the Country, as a National possession.

The Washington Monument is an imposing shaft of white marble, standing on an elevation of ground near the Potomac. It is seen towering against the sky, and its immense height confronts one at every turn; from the Capitol, from Arlington, far down the Potomac, on the way to Mt. Vernon, it is an ever present feature of the landscape.

We were unable to go through the historic White House, much to our regret, it being closed to visitors.

The Library of Congress beggars description, no pen of mine can do it justice, and the Capitol, State, War and Navy buildings must be seen to be appreciated.

Mr. Otto Mears, who is known to some of you no doubt, gave the Colorado and Wyoming delegation a delightful day at his resort, the Chesapeake Beach Bay Resort. We were treated to a ride by rail down the Potomac a distance of 30 miles, until we reached Chesapeake Bay, and were given the freedom of the beautiful grounds, where we rambled, picked flowers and gathered souvenirs to our hearts' content, causing us to do ample justice to the elegant dinner served in the large dining hall of the Club House.

My trip to the 20th Annual Convention of the W. R. C., I shall always remember as one of the pleasantest experiences of my life.

Sincerely yours, in F., C. and L.,

EMMA A. GODDING,
Delegate at Large.

Mrs. Carr moved that the Chief Aide be allowed to read the report in full, as she read in a very distinct voice and could be heard by every one in the hall and the report contained many items of interest. Motion seconded by many and carried.

Report of Department Senior Aide.

ASPEN, COLO., June 1, 1903.

Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM:—In accordance with Rules and Regulations I hereby submit the following report:

Farragut No. 1 reports 76 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 9, by transfer, 2. Lost 1 by honorable discharge. Have visited 4 Corps and found them interested in their work. Post and Corps in harmony. If in the year just ending your Aide has done the least thing to encourage, help or smooth the way of even one whom we are banded together to assist she will feel amply repaid.

Upton No. 2 reports 75 members in good standing. Turned over to the Post \$20. We work in complete harmony with Post, holding one open and one social meeting once a month. I am very much interested in the Corps work.

Sedgwick No. 3 reports 28 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 3; lost 1 by suspension; 1 application pending. More relief work done this year than in years past. Financially able to meet all calls for relief. Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

Colorado Springs No. 4 reports 159 members in good standing.

T. H. Dodd No. 5 reports 51 members in good standing. Initiated 2; lost by suspension, 1; honorable discharge, 1. Have many pleasant parties and enjoy them. Corps in a flourishing condition, gaining new members and in perfect harmony with one and all.

G. G. Meade No. 6 reports 85 members in good standing. Gained 9 by initiation; reinstatement, 1; transfer, 5. Lost 1 by death, 3 by transfer. Much relief work has been done. Have many social meetings and enjoy them. Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

James A. Garfield No. 8 reports Corps in a flourishing condition. Wishing all Corps same success. Harmony prevails.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9 reports 64 members in good standing. First quarter, 1903, gained by initiation, 17; by transfer, 1; reinstatement, 1; applications pending, 4. Net proceeds from our Annual Ball, \$102.15, of that amount \$100.00 was donated for Encampment fund. We have arranged to purchase flowers for Memorial Day. We stand ready to assist the Comrades. The City will have upon that day the Chief Executive, who will address the Citizens. The children are looking forward to assisting, and lovingly do they

gather flowers for the weaving of garlands for the dead soldiers of both wars. The Corps holds weekly socials. By these efforts made over \$50 last year. Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

General Ed. Hatch No. 10 reports 30 members in good standing. Several applications pending. The G. A. R., Sons of Veterans and Corps work in harmony. Have fine lodge room; Money in the treasury. Take good care of the few remaining veterans; buried one May 9th; Corps took part in service. We are full of life, energy and kindness and hope for a complete success.

North Fork No. 11 reports 17 members in good standing. 3 coming in by transfer. Visited no other Corps as our nearest neighbor is Grand Junction. No calls for relief, but contributed to S. and S. Home and any other cause when called upon. We are preparing for Memorial Day.

Veteran No. 14 reports 66 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 1; transfer, 2. Suspended, 9. Visits made by full Corps, 150.

U. S. Grant No. 15 reports 52 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 10; transfer, 1. Lost by death, 3. We have had few calls for relief. Gave \$10 to assist in buying billiard table for the veterans in S. and S. Home, Monte Vista. Post seldom meet, and this is discouraging to the Corps, but with all the most friendly feeling exist.

Wadsworth No. 16 reports Corps in good condition. Meeting twice a month, one a business, one a social. Do some relief work; very little is required as most of the veterans living here are in moderately good circumstances.

Grand Junction No. 17 reports 76 members in good standing. Increase since last report, 30. Much relief work is being done. Corps is growing steadily; is in splendid condition socially and financially.

R. A. Cameron No 18 reports 44 members in good standing and in a flourishing condition. Have been obliged to meet at the homes of members a portion of the year. We have now rented a hall, furnishing it with carpets, chairs, tables and other necessary things. In connection we have a dining room, kitchen and ante rooms. We have not needed to do relief work but contributed to the Soldiers Home and any other cause we are called upon. Post and Corps work in perfect harmony. Corps always assisting on Memorial Day. The children are eager to take part in the decoration services.

Winfield Scott No. 19 reports 52 members in good standing. Corps is not prosperous, owing to dissension among members, which we hope in time to overcome. Are not doing any relief work. Winfield Scott Post surrendered its

charter December 1902. Reason, not being able to have a quorum. Since that time there is a lack of interest shown in the Corps. Comrades and W. R. C. will attend Memorial services in a body; have prepared a program for the afternoon. Post and Corps were in harmony. Hoping they will organize again.

Custer No. 20 from April 30, 1902, to April 30, 1903, expended for relief, \$69.85; pool table for Soldiers Home, Monte Vista, \$2.00; sent to other Corps, 50 cents. Paid to Custer Post, \$10.00. Donated to Custer Post, \$37.35. Expended for Memorial Day, \$26.40; Memorial Day in the South, \$2.00.

Reno No. 21 reports 55 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 9. Lost by death, 2; transfers, 4; dropped, 3. We are doing good work. The ladies harmonize beautifully. Members are prompt in payment of dues. Attendance at meetings good.

James W. Anderson No. 23 reports 107 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 23; transfer, 2; reinstatement, 4. Lost by honorable discharge, 2; transfer, 6; death 2. Have assisted 20 soldiers during the year. Cash expended for the year, \$146.60. Relief, other than money, \$197.85. Flags are furnished by the Corps for all old soldiers' graves. Memorial Day donated to the Post \$10.00. Corps and Post in harmony. Have visited 3 Corps.

W. T. Sherman No. 24 reports 14 members in good standing. Lost 3 by transfer. Not much relief work to do. Have contributed to both Homes for Thanksgiving and Christmas; responded to the call for purchasing billiard table for the Home at Monte Vista. We enjoyed a pleasant visit with Mrs. Jones, Dept. Pres. After meeting invited the Comrades; refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed by all. Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

Pfeiffer No. 25 reports 29 members in good standing. Gained May 31, 1902, to May 31, 1903, 7 members. Lost 2 by honorable discharge; non payments of dues, 2. Expended for relief, \$77.35. Remaining in the treasury, \$114.40. Work in perfect harmony with the Post and get along nicely in every way.

Geo. H. Thomas No. 26 reports 70 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 12. The Corps is at present planning a surprise on the Post for the 23rd of May; will serve refreshments. Mrs. Hannah King on that evening will present the Post with a beautiful picture of the Pacific branch of the National Soldiers Home of California. Our Corps is in receipt of a fine enlarged portrait of Captain Webb, the dear old soldier who presented us with our charter. At present are preparing a program for Memorial Day.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27 reports 99 members in good standing and in a flourishing condition. We are gaining a few new members, but are trying to retain our old members. Still some of them are gradually dropping out; some by honorable discharge, others by death. Corps financially fair. We never fail to get money when we need it. We have begun serving afternoon teas, the first one was a great success, both financially and socially.

Elbert Co. No. 29, reports 31 members in good standing. Gained by initiation, 3; transfer, 2. Lost by death, 2; honorable discharge, 2; transfer, 1. Expended for relief in money, \$11; other than money, \$14. This Corps labors under difficulties which others do not. We have 3 places of meeting: Elizabeth, Kiowa and Elbert, a distance of 28 and 30 miles before we can be at home again. We are enthusiastic and do not mind it. Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

A. J. Smith No. 31 reports 16 members in good standing. Corps in a prosperous condition. A number of members have moved away. As it is, few remain to work, but are doing all we can to advance the interest of the order. We expect to send one delegate to the convention. We have no dissensions in our Corps, all are in perfect harmony.

McPherson No. 32 reports 100 members in good standing. Of the small number of delinquents reinstated 5. Are doing good relief work other than money. We have expended a good sum in relief. Perfect harmony exists between Post and Corps. Preparing for Memorial Day, also Flag Day.

E. M. Stanton No. 37 reports 25 members in good standing. Post invited Corps to meet with them their regular meeting night, February 14, to commemorate the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Accepted invitation. Attended in a body patriotic services in the Methodist church, March 1st. Corps met with the Post March 14, served refreshments, and a social time enjoyed by all.

A. E. Burnside No. 38 reports 20 members in good standing. Corps in fair working order. There is not the interest shown that a few of our faithful ones would love to see, but they are good to respond in cases of relief. We have a method of raising money for relief work by giving dime socials. Post and Corps in perfect harmony. Getting ready for Memorial Day, will attend in a body.

M. M. Crocker No. 40 reports 49 members in good standing. Gained during the year, 5. Post and Corps in most perfect harmony.

Veitor No. 41 reports 43 members in good standing. Gained 22 by initiation; transfer, 1; delinquent ones have

paid, 4. Good condition financially and doing some relief work. Made 3 visits to 1 Corps. Attended 2 Corps installations Victor Corps extended invitations to the G. A. R., Sons of Veterans and Ladies of the G. A. R. to dinner on Memorial Day, all to unite in Memorial exercises. Post and Corps in perfect harmony.

Geo. Washington No. 42 report money in General fund, \$40; Relief fund, \$65.54. Expended for relief \$39.20. Made 236 sick visits. Post and Corps work in harmony.

Joe Hooker No. 43 reports having done a great amount of relief work. We have no dependent ones in our Corps now. We visit our Chaplain who has a very sick son. Donated \$10 toward buying billiard table for the Home at Monte Vista. Serve light refreshments at most of our meetings, in that way we get a larger attendance. Have tried to be helpful in our own Corps.

No reports received from Aides of Corps Nos. 12, 34, 30, 45, 35, 28 and 13. Corps charters surrendered by Nos. 44, 39, 7 and 22.

In submitting my report I would recommend blanks be furnished Aides. My sincere thanks to the Assistant Aides for their kind services; and to you, Mrs. President, for the honor conferred by appointing me as one of your Staff. If my work meets your approval I will feel amply repaid.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

MARY E. NEVIUS,
Senior Aide and Chief of Staff.

Report of Department Press Correspondent.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT PRESS CORRESPONDENT.

KIOWA, COLO., June 15, 1903.

Annie B. Sanborn, *Department Secretary, W. R. C.:*

MADAM:

In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you my report for the year just past. When our Department President appointed me to perform the very pleasant task of Department Press Correspondent, I was imbued with a desire to make my reports thoroughly satisfactory so far as my ability permitted, and when I look back step by step, I feel and know that I have made a very unsatisfactory officer, but ladies, I am not generous enough to admit that I alone was to blame. I have tried faithfully to have published all news received from all sources and I earnestly urge Corps Presidents to require Corps Press Correspondents to comply with the law in performing their



DELIA F. BUELL,
Patriotic Instructor



OLIVE A. KILLEN,
Press Correspondent



SUSIE C. MCGWIRE,
Member of Executive Board



JENNIE MCGILL,
Member of Executive Board

official duties. Unless items are forwarded to Department Press Correspondent, she cannot well write interestingly of the work being accomplished in the various Corps. I have published all correspondence in the G. A. R. Guardian and the relief Corps Messenger.

I extend my thanks to those Corps who so generously supplied me with items and to the Department President for the appointment and for the many courtesies received.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

OLIVE A. KILLIN,
Department Press Correspondent.

Report of Department Relief Committee.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

DENVER, COLO., June 15, 1903.

Mrs. Anna B. Sanborn, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

DEAR MADAM:

In accordance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I submit the report of the Relief work done by your committee during the past year.

I received the appointment of Chairman of the Department Relief July 16, 1902, and my commission July 25, 1902.

The following is the report of Mrs. Jennie McGill, my predecessor, from June 14th until my appointment July 26, 1902:

June 14th.	To apply on funeral of Soldier's widow..	\$ 4 00
" 27th.	Medicine and meals for comrade.....	3 50
July 10th.	Groceries and medicine Soldier's widow..	2 50
" 21st.	To apply on funeral Veteran's son.....	4 00
	Car fare.....	1 00
Total.....		\$ 15 00

I have received from Mrs. Ida Critchell, Dept. Treas., the following sums of money:

Sept. 1, 1902.....	\$ 10 00
" 27, 1903.....	15 00
Dec. 16, 1902.....	25 00
March 28, 1903.....	20 00
	—————\$ 70 00

Cash donations received from the Corps:

Veteran.....	\$ 2 00
Geo. G. Meade.....	2 00
Reno.....	2 00
T. H. Dodd.....	2 50
Custer.....	1 50
	—————\$ 10 00

Other cash donations:

Denver Circle No. 1.....	\$ 2 00
Memorial & Benevolent Ass'n.....	3 00
Mrs. Rische.....	1 00
Mrs. Abbott.....	2 00
Mrs. Lutz.....	25
A friend.....	50
Mrs. Henslee.....	10 00
Total.....	<u>\$ 18 75</u>
Total cash received.....	\$ 98 75

DISBURSEMENTS FROM RELIEF FUND.

Sept. 1.	Paid Mrs. McGill for money paid out for a comrade's shoes and underwear.....	\$ 3 00
Sept. 10th.	Funeral Soldier's widow.....	4 00
" 16th.	Sick Comrade.....	1 50
Oct. 7th.	Groceries for Comrade's family....	3 15
" 7th.	To apply on transportation of Soldier's widow to Old Mexico.....	2 15
Nov. 13th.	Groceries Soldier's family.....	3 00
Dec. 3rd.	Groceries three Comrades' family.	6 00
" 14th.	Sick Comrade.....	1 50
" 23rd.	Groceries sick Comrade and family.....	3 00
" 31st.	Soldier's widow at Parker, Colo..	5 00
1903 Jan. 13th.	Groceries for Comrade's family.....	2 25
Jan. 16th.	Medicines and truss Soldier's widow.....	1 75
Jan. 17th.	Express.....	25
Feb. 26th.	Groceries Soldier's family	1 85
March 5th.	Underwear for Soldier's widow.....	1 00
March 10th.	Groceries Comrade's family.....	2 65
March 10th.	Express on mattress for Comrade.....	25
March 25th.	Meals for Comrade (Hardin).....	2 50
April 1st.	Groceries for Comrade's family.....	3 00
April 27th.	To apply on transportation Comrade to Soldier's Home....	3 00
May 20th.	Groceries for Soldier's family.....	3 50

	June 8th. Groceries for Soldier's daughter and tin oven.....	4 25	
	June 15th. Comrade's underwear and meal ticket.....	3 20	
	Car fare and postage.....	3 25	
	Total amount expended from the Relief Fund.....	\$ 65 00	
1902.	Oct. 9th. Expended from other cash donations for transportation Soldier's widow to Mexico.....	28 75	
			\$ 93 75
	Total amount received Dept. Treas....	\$ 70 00	
	Other cash donations.....	28 75	
	Total.....	\$ 98 75	
	Total amount expended.....	93 75	
	Balance on hand.....	\$ 5 00	
	Other than money.....	\$ 25 00	
	Total cash donations.....	28 75	
	Total cash paid from Relief Fund.....	65 00	
	Total cash paid by Mrs. McGill.....	15 00	
	Total cash spent during the year.....	\$ 108 75	

Seventy-five calls have been made on the sick and needy and we have done what we could to lighten their burdens. Many thanks have been received from aching hearts for the kind deeds shown them by the Relief Corps; frequently they would say, "I do not know what we would have done had it not been for your kindness."

Most of the relief work during the year has been in Denver, although an appeal was made in General Orders No. 6, for the different Corps having little or no relief work, to aid the needy and worthy Veteran by sending donations to the Department Treasurer, for which they would receive credit and the thanks of the committee. As there was no response possibly, no calls were made for Dept. Relief.

Very often we hear the remark, "Only a few more years that the Veterans will need our assistance." Let us ever be true to our obligation till the last call is made, then we will have the assurance that we have been faithful to our trust.

Mrs. President, a pleasant year with pleasant associations has come and gone and I trust all future years may be the same.

Yours in F., C. and L.,
 LUCY M. CAMPBELL, Chairman.
 MARGELIA E. HAMILTON.

The Guard announced that a committee from the Grand Army was in waiting.

Conductors and Color Bearers escorted Comrades Vaughn, Millette, Mingay, Carson and Rogers to the platform and were welcomed by the President and introduced to the Convention and given the salute.

These gentlemen addressed the ladies of the convention as follows:

Mr. Vaughn:—

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps:

We are a committee from the G. A. R., to bring congratulations and hearty recommendation of your splendid work to you. We are, of course, as you see, not very young and given to sentiment, which is largely out of our line at our age, yet we recognize your relation to us as an auxiliary to our association, and we respect you all. We respect all women, for without them we would be nothing. Without a home we are nothing and without a woman home is nothing. Without a home, country means nothing to us, all is nothing without wife and mother.

We are not here for any eloquence, but we recommend your report of the year just past, which speaks in more eloquent terms than we can of the noble and splendid work you are doing. It would be an offense to you, ladies, to say you are getting old, but we speak thus of ourselves for many feel the weight of years creeping upon us. We realize our work is done, we have finished; and while you have worked nobly and well, your's is not done, you are a present necessity and will continue to be such for many years to come. You have ever administered to our needs; many have received your assistance. Recognizing this and your relation to the G. A. R., we are thankful that you are continuing this good work and thank God for what you have done. Your ranks can be replenished, ours cannot. Ten or fifteen years at the most will wind up the affairs of the G. A. R. We are passing away one by one, and every year sees a greater gap in our ranks. Few will be left in another five years. More and more we feel that our work is done. We have all been of service to our country, we took up arms in defense of it, you bound up our wounds, and are teaching to all the love of country.

Year by year we see our country grow greater and greater. To-day it is a world power. No country now would consider or contemplate the carrying on of war without stopping to

ask the question, "What will the United States do in case we go to war?" Our country is a power to be reckoned with.

Now we hope, ladies, that you will take our visit in the spirit in which we come, and that you will accord the G. A. R. the same respect and loyalty that you have in the past, and we will be content. I thank you.

Mr. Millette:—

Mrs. President and Members of the Relief Corps:

Our worthy chairman made one remark to which I take exception. He said that we were getting past sentiment. Now I don't agree with him, for I have a great deal of sentiment, more than I can express. I cannot say anything without my heart swelling within me. The older I grow the more sentiment I have, perhaps it is a sign that I am growing old and childish, but I am proud of it just the same; but it seems to me that the love is getting stronger, and you, ladies, come in for a very large share of it.

We all know of the wonderful relief work you have done, and, while we have never yet needed your financial assistance, there is no telling when we may need it and we are sure if the time ever should come when we needed it, it would be cheerfully given. On every hand we see the result of the work you are doing, and it would be hard to estimate how much help you have been in keeping the Grand Army together. We thank you for this help and for the help you have given us in this Convention. Now I do not want to leave you without saying I am glad, as one of the committee, to have met you all here today, and another thing, I am glad to see such a large number in this Convention, and hope we may meet together for many years to come. Ladies, I thank you.

Mr. Carson:—

Mrs. President and Members of the Relief Corps:

Ladies, we all know that your hearts are ours. They have been ours for many years. When in '61 we took up arms in defense of our country and you, we had our reward when we came home into your arms, there we have rested content ever since, and your hearts have been ours. All these years you have and are caring for us and making us feel well repaid for taking up arms. It gives me pleasure to say this to you, ladies, and I thank you. God bless you all.

Mr. Rogers:—

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Corps:

This is certainly one of the bright spots in my life as it is the first time I have had the pleasure of meeting the Woman's Relief Corps in session. I am certainly gratified to see the large number that are in this Convention, which shows the interest in the work, not only that, but it would be a pleasure to the Grand Army if they could come in and see the many that are here, more than we have in the G. A. R. hall. Our Department is getting smaller year by year, and it will not be long before we will not have enough to be represented in the Encampment.

I will just give you a little incident to show you my love and respect for the Relief Corps. During the time I was in the field, I took suddenly very sick, and for five days and nights I lay unconscious, very near to death's door, but I was tenderly and carefully nursed and brought back to life. When I was better, I learned that had it not been for two ladies who cared for me, I would have died. These two ladies are members of the W. R. C., and ever since the close of the war they have devoted their time to the care of soldiers that were crippled and helpless, keeping them from want and supplying them with comforts. That is why I have a very warm spot in my heart for the W. R. C.

Mr. Mingay:—

Ladies and Sisters:

It is a pleasure to stand here and look into your bright faces and thank you from our hearts for the brave work you are doing. Now these old hearts of ours have cast their burdens upon you.

You have ever been ready to assist those in need. God bless you, sisters for it. Your work was not given in the hope of reward, but there is One, above all who takes note, and every act of yours is recorded in the Book of Books, and it shall bring you your reward when you pass beyond. I have a most kindly feeling toward the Corps. Had it not been for them I would not be here and alive, for they watched over me in time of sickness. I remember one incident which may interest you.

It was on the 6th of April, 1865. We were bringing up the rear of the retiring army and I was well nigh starved. For three days I had not had anything to eat. I came across a little hut away back in the woods. I took the butt of my musket and rapped softly upon the door. No answer. I rapped a little louder and finally a voice called out, "Who's thar?" "A Union soldier." "What do you want?"

"I only want something to eat." The door was opened and a very fat colored woman stood in the doorway. (Her skin was black, but her heart was white. She had a big warm heart. God bless her.) "Well bless you soul, honey, I ain't got nuthing in this air house to eat." She stood a moment and said, "yes, I have too." She stepped back into the room and went to the chimney corner and took out a hunk of Johnny cake and said, "This is all I have got, but you can have half." I took it and was glad to get it. That colored woman was a lady, an angel.

From that day to this, whenever I hear any man speaking of a negro woman or disparagingly of any woman, I always take good care to call him down and call him down hard. That man or woman who speaks of the colored people as niggers is a mean one. "Nigger" means a bad, vicious person, whether white or black, and the one who speaks of colored people as "niggers" is a "nigger" himself. I am glad to see among you here to-day some colored women, for you are sisters all, white or black, working for the cause of humanity.

And now I can only say, God bless you all.

The President, Mrs. Jones, responded to them as follows:

Comrades, in behalf of the Nineteenth Department Convention, I thank you for your kind and encouraging words. We are always pleased to hear that you have confidence in your Auxiliary and that your fidelity and loyalty to them is still unshaken, and I will pledge for them that you will continue to have the untiring devotion of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Convey to the Department Encampment our thanks for your kindly greetings and allow me to present you with our Convention badge.

Therese A. Jenkins reported that the committee of arrangements had planned a ride to Fort Russell for the afternoon, to witness the military maneuvers, and moved that we adjourn until 7:00 p. m. in order to permit the ladies to go with the G. A. R. to the Fort. This was seconded by Mrs. Carr, and the motion was carried. Convention adjourned until 7 p. m., sharp.

Thursday Evening Session.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 7:00 p. m. The conductors reported all present in possession of the password. Upon roll call 109 delegates were reported present.

The minutes of the morning session read by the Secretary, corrected and adopted.

The President appointed the following committees to visit the various orders now assembled in Convention at Cheyenne:

G. A. R.—Therese A. Jenkins, Jennie McGill, Irene B. Cowie, Olive A. Killin.

Sons of Veterans—Susie Carr McGwire, Debra Moser, Addie Purrington.

Aid Society—Lydia C. Young, Kate McCullough, Maggie Keppler.

Ladies of the G. A. R.—Clara L. Whitney, Annie B. Leimberger, Elfie Tew.

Susie McGwire on the committee to visit the Sons of Veterans, reported they had finished up their business and gone home, hence the committee could not visit them.

Report of the Delegate-at-Large was read by Mrs. Critchell.

Mrs. Carr moved that a telegram of greeting from the Convention be sent to our National President, Mrs. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Benson and carried.

Senior Vice president took the Chair.

Report of Committee on President's Address.

Members of the Nineteenth Department Convention:

The Committee to whom the Department President's Address was referred, have given the same due consideration, and are highly gratified at the record of the work for the past year. Her careful management of the finances is highly commendable; and though necessary to practice the strictest economy, the work for the Order has not been lessened, and we congratulate her upon the success attained.

Her interest in the veterans and her efforts to grant their request for means to make their last days pass pleasantly are heartily approved.

MARY L. CARR,
LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
OLIVE KILLIN.

Mrs. Ditson moved, seconded by Mrs. Alvina Rice, that the report be received, and the recommendations be acted upon separately. Carried.

Recommendation No. 1.—Mrs. Jenkins moved, seconded by Mrs. Byers, that it be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 2.—Mrs. Sanborn moved, seconded by Mrs. Dana, that it be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 3.—Mrs. Capell moved, seconded by Mrs. Rice, that it be adopted. Carried.

The committee advised that recommendation No. 4, be changed to a resolution and passed by the Convention, and sent to the National Convention. Mrs. Watson moved, seconded by Mrs. Edna Campbell, that the change be made and adopted by the Convention. Carried.

Recommendation No. 5.—Moved by Jennie McGill, seconded by Mrs. Sutton, that it be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 6.—Moved by Mrs. Whitney, seconded by Mrs. Young, that the recommendation be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation No. 7.—Mrs. Fairehild moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Dresser and carried.

Edna Campbell moved that the report as a whole be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Randolph. Carried.

The President stated that the Grand Army wished to have the installation of officers to-morrow morning, because many of them wanted to leave for home on the afternoon train. Moved by Mrs. Mellette, seconded by Mrs. Capell, that we proceed to election of officers. After considerable discussion, this was carried.

A committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R. was reported in waiting in the ante room. The Conductors escorted the ladies to the hall and presented them to the President, Mesdames Baker, Adams and Jewett. The President presented them to the Convention. Salute given.

Mrs. Baker addressed the Convention as follows:

"Mrs. President and Ladies of the Relief Corps:

As I, myself am a member of the W. R. C., I feel perfectly at home with the ladies here, and I extend a most hearty greeting to you all. Also as a member of the G. A. R. Circle I bear you greetings from that organization for the work you are doing, and to say to you that we appreciate very much your work. We have always the most kindly feelings and I bring you the warmest greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R., and thank you for your good deeds."

Mrs. Adams:—

"I was appointed to bear you greetings because heretofore I have been in the habit of meeting with you in Convention. We ladies of the two organizations work for the same declared purpose, and so since I have taken up the work in the G. A. R. Circle, I feel like a man with two wives. We each care for the G. A. R. Each have the old soldiers to comfort, cheer and support, and to care and watch over their destitute families, and we work for the purpose for which we are banded together. I hope we will live and work together, for each order can help the other. We are all the children of one Father, and we should take each other by the hand in fraternal love and loyalty. I come gladly with greetings from the G. A. R. Circle. I can never say enough for the good work you are doing, and I mean every word of it. Accept our best wishes and kindest greetings from us, one and all."

Mrs. Jewett:—

"The other ladies have said all the good things so I will only add my hearty approval of them all and leave you with my best wishes and sincerest love."

The President extended greetings in behalf of the Convention to the ladies and they retired.

The President then declared the election of officers in order.

The Committee on Credentials reported 109 delegates. The President appointed Mesdames Benson, Moore and Baldwin tellers.

Nominations for President declared in order.

Mrs. Mellett nominated Mrs. Olive Killin of Kiowa, Elbert Co; Mrs. Myers nominated Mrs. Jenkins of Cheyenne; Mrs. Sutton nominated Mrs. Cowie of Boulder. Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Benson were nominated also but declined.

Nominations closed.

The ballot was taken and the tellers retired.

Edna E. Campbell, chairman of Committee on Department Secretary's report read the report of Committee.

Mrs. President:

We, your Committee on the Secretary's report, have carefully examined the same and find it correct. She has been most faithful in the performance of her duties and we wish to commend her on her excellent report, also recommend its adoption.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

EDNA E. CAMPBELL,
MARION SUTTON,
MARY L. JENNINGS.

Moved by Mrs. Rice and seconded by Mrs. Killin that the report be adopted. Carried.

Lily Lamont presented the report on the I. and I. Officer's report.

Mrs. President and Members of Convention:

We, your committee, have carefully examined the report of the I. and I. Officer and find it concise and correct and cheerfully recommend its adoption.

SARAH ROSIER,
LILY LAMONT.

Mrs. Sutton moved that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Neely. Carried.

The chairman, Mrs. Capell, of the committee on Press Correspondent, read the following:

Mrs. President:

Your Committee on Press Correspondent report as follows:

We recommend that our Press Correspondent's report be adopted, with thanks to her for her able efforts. We recommend that Corps Presidents be instructed to appoint persons of a literary turn, so that all Corps be properly reported in the press.

LETTIE CAPELL,
RUTH DE PUE,
JOHANA BAYER.

Moved by Mrs. Byers that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Ohnhaus. Carried.

Mrs. Critchell, chairman on Inspector's report, submitted the following:

Mrs. President:

We, your Committee on Inspector's report, find it clear and concise and approve the same.

IDA CRITCHELL,
CORA B. SAWYER,
DIANA DILL.

Moved by Mrs. Fairehild that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. O'Brien. Carried.

Bell Opp, chairman of Committee on S. V. President's report, submitted the following:

Mrs. President and Members of the Nineteenth Annual Convention:

We, your committee on S. V. President's report, have carefully examined the same and believe she has conscientiously performed all her duties, and we recommend its adoption.

BELLE OPP,
MARY E. NEELY
ELIZABETH MARTIN.

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Fairehild that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers reported total number of votes cast, 108. Necessary to elect, 54. Mrs. Jenkins received 70; Mrs. Killin, 21; Mrs. Cowie, 17. Mrs. Jenkins having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared elected President.

Mrs. Killin said, "Mrs. President, I claim the honor of escorting Mrs. Jenkins to the platform." Mrs. Cowie said, "I also claim that privilege." Mrs. Jenkins was escorted to the platform by the two ladies and presented to the Convention as the President-elect.

Nominations for Senior Vice President: Mrs. Maulsby nominated Annie B. McGee of Victor, after very eloquently reciting the trials and tribulations through which Victor Corps had passed. Mrs. Adams seconded this nomination. Mrs. Sutton nominated Ruth Dana. Seconded by Mrs. Sawyer. No further names presented and nominations declared closed. Convention proceeded to ballot.

Report of Auditing Committee.

CHEYENNE, WYOMING, June 19, 1903.

Mrs. Emily H. Jones, Department President W. R. C.:

MADAM:

The Auditing Committee of the Department W. R. C., respectfully submit the following report:

All books, papers, accounts, bills and vouchers of the Department Secretary and Department Treasurer were examined upon the following dates, and found correct and in excellent condition.

October 16, 1902, Denver, Colorado.

January 16, 1903, " "

April 15, 1903, " "

June 17, 1903, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

In F., C. and L.,

THERESA A. JENKINS, Chairman.

JENNIE MCGILL,

SUSIE C. MCGUIRE.

Moved by Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Chairman of Committee on report of Senior Aide's report, presented the following:

Mrs. President and Members of the Nineteenth Convention:

We take pleasure in reporting on the Senior Aide's report, finding it in every respect a faithful and complete report. We therefore recommend its adoption.

SUSIE V. LANYON,
LOUISE N. HARDIN,
MARCIA E. LUCE.

Moved by Mrs. Ullmer, seconded by Mrs. Martin that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mrs. Ditson reported the following on Junior Vice President's report:

To the Officers and Members of the Nineteenth Annual Convention:

We, your committee, have carefully considered the report of the Junior Vice President and find she has given the work her most careful consideration.

ALICE DITSON,
MARY E. NEVIUS,
MARY A. MILLER.

Moved by Mrs. Neely that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Watson. Carried.

Mrs. Ellison presented the following on Chaplain's report: The Committee on Chaplain's report recommended its adoption.

LYDIA ELLISON,
SCENIA MAXWELL,
ISABEL REINKS.

Moved by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Purrington, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers reported whole number of votes cast, 103; necessary to elect, 54. Mrs. McGee, 66; Mrs. Dana, 37. The President declared Mrs. McGee duly elected Senior Vice-President for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Junior Vice-President then declared in order. Mrs. Millette said, "Mrs. President, I wish to nominate a little Scotch-English woman, who has for seventeen years been a faithful member of the Woman's Relief Corps, and who, when she returned to her native land for a visit was proud and glad to be known as a member of our organization. An untiring worker, ever doing well whatever her hand has found to do for the good of the Department. Mrs. Capell is the one to whom I refer." No other names were mentioned and Mrs. Jennings moved that the nominations be closed and the Secretary instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Capell. Mrs. McCabe seconded the motion and it was carried. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mrs. Capell elected Junior Vice-President.

Nominations for Treasurer declared in order. Mrs. Benson nominated Ida Critchell.

Mrs. Benson in nominating Mrs. Critchell for treasurer said: Mrs. President, Mrs. Critchell has served so faithfully and well during the last year and had to worry along with very little money in the treasury, and so I would like to nominate her and let her have the satisfaction of acting another year when there will be more money to handle.

The nomination was seconded by several. No other names being presented, Mrs. Carr moved that the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Critchell. The

motion was seconded by Mrs. Watson and carried. The ballot was cast and the President declared Mrs. Critchell elected treasurer.

The President then announced nominations for Chaplain would be received. Mrs. McGill nominated Mary West. Seconded by Mrs. Watson. No other nominees. Mrs. Millette moved, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. West. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mrs. West elected Chaplain.

Nominations for first member of the Executive Board were then received. Mrs. McGwire nominated by Mrs. Jenkins. Seconded by Miss Fisher. There being no further nominations, Mrs. Hader moved that the nominations close, and the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. McGwire. Seconded by Mrs. Ullmer and carried. The vote was cast and the President declared Mrs. McGwire elected first member of the Executive Board.

For the second member, Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Killin, seconded by Mrs. Byers. Moved by Mrs. Hay, seconded by Mrs. Martin that the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Killen, she being the only nominee. Carried. The secretary cast the vote, and the President declared Mrs. Killen elected second member of the Board.

For third member, Mrs. Benson nominated Edna E. Campbell. No further nominations, it was moved by Mrs. Capell and seconded by Mrs. Myers that the nominations be closed, and the secretary instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Edna E. Campbell. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Edna E. Campbell elected third member of the Board.

Mrs. O'Brien nominated Mrs. Ullmer for fourth member, seconded by Mrs. Luce. No further nominations. Mrs. Sutton moved that the nominations be closed, and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Ullmer. Seconded by Mrs. Myers and carried. The ballot was cast, and Mrs. Ullmer declared elected fourth member.

Lucy Campbell nominated Charlotte Moore for the fifth member of the Board. Mrs. Hader nominated Mrs. Knight. Mrs. Moore withdrew. Moved by Mrs. Watson that the

nominations be closed, and the vote of the Convention be cast by the Secretary for Mrs. Knight. Mrs. Neeley seconded this motion and it was carried. The ballot was cast, and Mrs. Knight declared elected the fifth member of the Board.

Nominations for Delegate-at-Large were declared in order. Mrs. McGwire nominated Mrs. Jennie McGill as Delegate-at-Large. Seconded by several. Mrs. West moved, seconded by Mrs. Rinn, that the nominations be closed, and the vote of the Convention be cast by the Secretary for Mrs. McGill. The motion was carried, and the Secretary cast the vote. The President declared Mrs. McGill duly elected Delegate-at-Large.

President announced the nomination of first delegate to the National Convention. It was suggested that ladies who would be sure to go be nominated. Miss Fisher nominated Mrs. Hader, nomination seconded by Mrs. Myers. Mrs. DePue nominated Mrs. Watson, and Mrs. Hader withdrew her name. No other nominations. Mrs. Jenkins moved that the nominations be closed, and the vote be cast by the Secretary for Mrs. Watson for first delegate. Seconded by Mrs. Myers. Carried. Mrs. Watson declared elected delegate.

For second delegate, Mrs. Byers nominated Mrs. Hader, seconded by Mrs. Myers. Moved by Mrs. Rice that the nominations be closed and the Secretary instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Hader. Seconded by several and carried. The vote was cast, and Mrs. Hader declared elected second delegate.

For third delegate Edna E. Campbell nominated Ruth Dana. Mrs. West nominated Edith Shaubel. Nominations closed. Conductors collected the ballot. Tellers retired.

Minutes of the following Council meeting read.

First Council Meeting.

ROCKY FORD, COLO., June 12, 1902.

Department Council Woman's Relief Corps met at 8 p. m. at Department Headquarters, Hotel El Capitan. Present, Emily H. Jones, President; Minnie L. Benson, S. V. President; Delia Mulford, J. V. President; Secretary, Annie B. Sanborn; Ida Critchell, Treasurer; Sybil E. Watson, Chaplain; Annie B. Leimberger, Inspector; Arabella C. Johnson,

Counselor; M. L. Jennings, I. and I. Officer; Delia F. Buell, Patriotic Instructor; and of Executive Board, Therese A. Jenkins, Lettie Capell, Jennie McGill and Susie C. McGwire.

Executive Board elected as Chairman of Auditing Committee, Therese A. Jenkins. Second member, Jennie McGill, third member Susie C. McGwire. A motion, made by Mrs. McGwire, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that Council adjourn, was carried.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

KATE M. CLATWORTHY, Secretary.

Approved April 15, 1903.

Moved by Edna E. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

Second Council Meeting.

DENVER, COLO., April 15th, 1903.

A Department Council meeting, with President Emily H. Jones in the chair, was held at the home of Department Senior Vice President, Minnie L. Benson. Other members present: Ida Critchell, Treasurer; Arabella C. Johnson, Counselor; Jennie McGill, Jennie G. Harper, Susie C. McGwire and Past Department President Catherine C. Kennedy.

Moved by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that Gen. Ed. Hatch Corps, organized at Pagosa Springs Sept. 17th, be recognized as formed the last quarter of 1902. Carried.

Mrs. Critchell moved, seconded by Mrs. Benson, that such property of disbanded Corps, as old rituals, service books, rules and regulations, be destroyed by Department President and Secretary. Carried.

A communication was read from the Department of Wisconsin, asking this Department to assist them by also sending a resolution to the next National Convention, not to change or revise the Ritual and Service Book for a period of five years. Mrs. McGill moved, seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, that the Department help in this work and present such a resolution to Department Convention. Carried.

Mrs. Jenkins moved, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that we make the attempt to lessen the expenses of Department. Carried.

Mrs. Jenkins moved, seconded by Mrs. Benson, that we send in resolutions to Department Convention to organize this Department into Inspection Districts. Carried.

Mrs. McGwire moved, seconded by Mrs. Benson, that De-

partment President appoint a committee to present such resolutions. Carried.

The President appointed Mesdames Johnson, McGwire and Benson on this committee.

Mrs. McGwire moved, seconded by Mrs Jenkins, that the Department give a Corps Treasurer's Bond blank to each Corps each year, to reach them with Quarterly Report blanks for last quarter. Carried.

Mrs. Critchell moved, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that the Relief Fund be reduced to two per cent. Carried.

Mrs. Benson moved, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that the Department Treasurer be allowed to sell some cotton flags now in stock to any one who would purchase. Carried.

Mrs. McGwire moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Benson. Carried.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

ANNIE B. SANBORN,

Department Secretary.

Approved June 17th, 1903.

Third Council Meeting.

CHEYENNE, WYOMING, June 17, 1903.

A meeting of the Department Council was held at the home of Mrs. Therese A. Jenkins, with the Department President in the chair. Besides the above mentioned, there were present Mrs. Benson, S. V. President; Mrs. Critchell, Treasurer; Jennie McGill, Susie C. McGwire, Lettie Capell of Executive Board; M. L. Jennings, I. and I. Officers and Sybil E. Watson, Chaplain.

Minutes of last Council meeting read and approved. The Committee on Resolutions appointed at last Council meeting presented the following:

Resolution No. 1. That a Resolution by presented to National Convention asking that no revisions or changes be made in Rituals or Service Books for the period of five years.

Mrs. McGill moved, seconded by Mrs. Capell, that Mrs. McGwire be allowed to change Resolution. Carried.

Resolution No. 2. That the Department be divided into Inspection Districts, to be made by incoming Department President and Department Inspector.

Mrs. McGill moved, seconded by Mrs Capell that it be adopted. Carried.

Mrs. Critchell offered recommendations.

No. 1. That Department purchase Corps Treasurer's

bound blanks, to be sent by Department Secretary with Corps Election Return Blanks.

Moved by Mrs. McGwire, seconded by Mrs. Benson that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 2. That Corps purchase Department Aide's badges, holding them as Corps property the same as other officers' badges.

Mrs. Jenkins moved, seconded by Mrs. Watson that it be adopted. Carried.

A letter from National Secretary was read in answer to an inquiry how to deal with a Corps that did not elect officers last December; is two quarters in arrears, yet do not wish to surrender Charter. Mrs. McGwire moved, seconded by Mrs. Benson, that Mrs. Sanborn explain the situation to the incoming President. Carried.

Mesdames Benson and Watson most generously donated their bills of expenditure for the year, to the Department. Accepted with thanks. Mrs. McGwire moved, seconded by Mrs. Capell, that Department Treasurer be allowed time in Convention to speak on the matter of supplies. Carried.

Mrs. McGwire moved, seconded by Mrs. Capell, that a rising vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. Jones for her universal courtesy and kindness to the Department Officers during her year of office. Carried.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it adjourned *sine die*.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

ANNIE B. SANBORN,

Department Secretary.

Approved.

Moved by Mrs. Ditson, seconded by Mrs. Rice, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

Tellers reported 80 votes cast for third delegate. Necessary to elect, 40. Mrs. Dana received 57, Mrs. Shaulbel, 23. The President declared Mrs. Dana elected third delegate.

Nominations for Alternate-at-Large declared in order.

Mrs. Knight nominated Mrs. Elizabeth Martin. No other names were presented. Mrs. McGwire moved that the nominations be closed and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Martin. Seconded by Mrs. Ditson. Carried.

Mrs. Martin declared elected Alternate-at-Large.

On account of the lateness of the hour Mrs. Carr moved

we adjourn until 9 o'clock Friday morning. Seconded by Mrs. Lucy Campbell. Carried, and the Convention declared adjourned until 9 a. m. Friday, June 19, 1903.

Friday Morning Session.

Convention called to order by the Department President at 9 a. m.

Chaplain led the Convention in prayer. Singing of "America." Conductors reported all present in possession of the password.

President stated the G. A. R. had requested us to be ready for installation of officers at 10:30.

The resignation of Mrs. Olive Killin as second member of the Executive Board elected at last night's session was read.

Lucy Campbell moved that it be accepted. Mrs. Capell seconded the motion and it was carried.

Minutes of last night's session read by the Secretary. On motion of Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, the minutes were adopted.

The Chairman on the report of the Department Relief reported the following:

Mrs. President and Members of the Nineteenth Convention:

The Committee on Report of Department Relief have examined the same and find they have conscientiously considered the good of the Order and have expended the money in their charge to the best of their ability.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

JENNIE MCGILL,
CHARLOTTE EPPERSON.

Moved by Mrs. Dresser, seconded by Mrs. Randolph that report be adopted. Carried.

The President requested the committees who were appointed last evening to visit the different orders, to do so as early as possible.

The Chairman on Courtesies and Telegrams presented the following:

CHEYENNE, WYO., June 18, 1903.

Madam President and Members of the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C. of Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

The Committee on Courtesies and Greetings offer the following report:

A telegram of greetings was forwarded to our National President, Lodusky J. Taylor.

Greetings have been extended to our Past Department Presidents. Thanks have been tendered to Mr. Fullerton of the Inter Ocean hotel, for his kindness in allowing us the use of the hotel parlor for our Headquarters.

We have thanked the citizens of Cheyenne through the newspapers, who have given us such a royal welcome and extended us so many courtesies. We appreciate very much, the kindness of the Ladies of Rebekah in giving up their lodge room for our use.

We have personally thanked the editors of the Cheyenne and Denver papers for the efficient reports of the proceedings of our Convention.

The members of this Convention have received so many courtesies and kindnesses from J. F. Reynolds Post and Corps, that we cannot find words to express our gratitude. The beautiful badges presented to us by the Corps, will be preserved as souvenirs of an exceedingly pleasant visit.

This Department is indebted to Mrs. Appell for her services as musician during the session of this Convention, and we have heartily thanked her for her kindness.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

ELFIE RISHEL TEW,	} Committee on	
RUTH A. DANA,		} Courtesies and
MARY E. Ullmer,			} Greetings.

Mrs. Carr moved that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Maxwell and carried.

Past Department President, Catherine C. Kennedy was escorted to the platform and given the Convention salute.

Mrs. Ditson moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended the Rebekahs for the use of their hall for evening session. Seconded by several and unanimously carried.

The Guard reported a committee in waiting from the Ladies Aid, Auxiliary to the S. of Vs.

The visitors were escorted to the rostrum and presented to the President, who in turn introduced them to the Conven-

tion as Miss Freeman, Mesdames Abbott, Johnson and McGwire.

Miss Freeman, in behalf of the committee, extended congratulations and best wishes to the Convention for the splendid work they were doing, and as time was limited with both organizations, begged to be excused as soon as possible. Mrs. Abbott said, "This is the first time I have ever visited your Convention and, of course, it is something new to me, so ask to be excused from further remarks, except to extend my best wishes to you all." Mrs. Johnson said, "I simply wish to extend my congratulations for the good work you are doing, and to extend the greeting of our order to you, one and all." The committee then retired.

Mrs. Watson was appointed by the President to accompany Mrs. Liemberger to visit the Ladies' Aid and convey the greetings of the Convention.

Mrs. Jennings reported that Rock Springs Corps had no delegate present, but there was one member of that Corps in the hall. Mrs. Hamilton, the Conductor of Rock Springs Corps, was conducted to the platform and presented to the Convention, to which she expressed her pleasure in meeting the ladies.

The Chairman of Committee on Treasurer's report submitted the following:

Mrs. President:—Your committee has carefully examined the report of the Department Treasurer and find it clear and concise. We feel she has given her best thought to the work, and believing the recommendations to be for the best interests of the order, we heartily recommend the adoption of the report.

MINNIE E. KINGSFORD,
ELLA M. BYERS,
MINNIE L. BENSON.

Moved by Mrs. Jennings that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. Patrick. Carried.

Committee on Resolutions made the following report.

Mrs. President:—The following recommendations have been handed your committee.

Recommendation No. 1.—That Department purchase Corps Treasurer's bond blanks, the same to be sent by Department Secretary with Corps election blanks.

Moved by Lucy Campbell, that Recommendation No. 1 be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. McCabe and carried.

Recommendation No. 2.—That Corps purchase Department Aide's badges.

Mrs. Byers moved that this recommendation be made in the form of a resolution and sent to the National Convention. Seconded by Mrs. Epperson and carried.

Recommendation No. 3.—That there be no changes in the Ritual or Service Book for a period of five years.

This recommendation originated with Wisconsin Department and evoked considerable discussion. It was moved by Mrs. Kennedy that the resolution be adopted and sent to the National Convention. Mrs. Martin seconded the motion. Carried.

The President announced the nomination in order for the second member of the Executive Board, Mrs. Killin having resigned. Mrs. McGwire nominated Mrs. Charlotte Moore. Mrs. Critchell seconded the nomination. Mrs. Myers moved that nominations close and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Moore. Seconded by Mrs. Young. Carried.

The President declared Mrs. Moore elected second member of the Board.

Nominations for alternates were declared in order. Mrs. Jenkins nominated Mrs. Patterson, of No. 9; Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Young, and Mrs. West nominated Mrs. Dill. Seconded by several. No other nominations. Mrs. Neely moved that the names presented be declared elected Alternates by acclamation. Motion seconded by Mrs. Opp and carried.

Mrs. Benson, on behalf of the members of the Convention, presented the retiring President with a most beautiful set of silver knives and forks. In presenting them she said: "Mrs. President, a most pleasant duty is mine this morning. This Department appreciates your noble work of the past year. We know of the many trials that have been yours to bear and how well you have stood at your post. Allow me in behalf of this Department and the Department Officers, to present you with this testimonial, and as you pass along the silvery sea of time, may you gather many bright pearls by the way."

Mrs. Jenkins, in behalf of J. F. Reynold's Corps, then presented two handsome silver spoons to the Department President and the Secretary.

The President said: "Ladies, I thank you all for these tokens of your loyalty and love. I thank you Mrs. Senior Vice President for your kind words of esteem and approbation, and J. F. Reynolds' Corps for this beautiful souvenir spoon. I will always treasure these gifts with the fond memories of the year we have spent so pleasantly together. I invite you to come and see me and you may use these elegant knives and forks and the beautiful spoons presented me by my home Corps.

Mrs. Sanborn said: "I believe Mrs. Jones said spoons from J. F. Reynolds' Corps, now only one belongs to her, the other was given to me and I wish to thank the ladies for it."

Mrs. McGill of the visiting committee, reported that she had been received with open arms by the Grand Army, and said they cheered loud and long when the report for the year was read, and said the Relief Corps was all right.

Report to Commander Huff:

GREELEY, COLORADO, June 15th, 1903.

General J. W. Huff, Department Commander Grand Army of the Republic:

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE:—I have the honor and also the pleasure to extend to you and through you to the Twenty-fourth Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colorado and Wyoming, the fraternal greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps, now in Convention assembled, and to submit the following report of our membership, our financial condition and the amount of relief extended during the year:

Number of Corps in Department, 40.

Number of members in Department, 1,915.

Cash expended for relief.....\$1557 04

Cash expended for relief in Department.... 105 55

Total cash expended for relief.....\$1662 59

Value of relief other than money..... 2185 96

Total amount of relief.....\$3848 55



J. W. HUFF, Department Commander, G. A. R.

Cash contributed to S. and S. Home, Colo..	\$ 175 90
Cash contributed to S. and S. Home, Wyo.	59 50
Contributions other than money to Homes in Colorado and Wyoming.....	64 50
Contributions for Memorial Day in South..	21 00
Contributions Temple of Fraternity.....	5 00
	<hr/> \$ 325 90

Total for relief and contributions.. \$4174 45

Number of Soldiers assisted, 256.

Total number assisted, 1,440.

Cash balance in Relief Fund of Corps.....\$ 771 09

Cash balance in General Fund of Corps.... 1863 19

Total cash balance on hand in Corps... \$2934 28

Total value of Corps property..... 7728 18

Much relief has been given which cannot be estimated. The fraternal spirit shown to those in distress, the loving words and kind deeds cannot be given a monetary value.

We esteem it an honor and a privilege to be the co-workers and acknowledged auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, and we pledge anew our loyalty to the cause so dear to both orders.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

EMILY H. JONES,

Department President, W. R. C.

Mrs. Killin also reported her visit to the G. A. R., to whom she extended the greetings of this Convention.

The visiting committee to the Circle of the G. A. R. reported they had extended the greetings of the W. R. C. to that society.

Mrs. Benson moved that the stenographer, Phebe Lassen, be paid \$10.00 for her services rendered during the Convention. Seconded by Mrs. Martin and carried.

Mrs. Kennedy moved that the remainder of the work be left to the incoming Council. Seconded by Mrs. Killin. Carried.

Mrs. Jenkins announced that Mrs. Killin would be Department Inspector; Mrs. Hader, Secretary; and Mrs. Ferris, I. and I. Officer.

Mrs. Carr moved that a rising vote of thanks be given the President for her excellent and efficient work during the year. Seconded by many and unanimously carried.

Mrs. McGwire moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the President, for her kind and courteous treatment to all, and for the many official visits made to different Corps free of cost to the Department, and for the many times she had paid incidental expenses from her own pocket. Seconded by Mrs. Lucy Campbell and several others and unanimously carried.

Mrs. Lucy Campbell moved we adjourn for installation at Keefe Hall. Motion seconded by Mrs. Carr and carried.

Adjourned meeting of the 19th Convention, joint public installation of the G. A. R., Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R. and the Ladies' Auxilliary to the Sons of Veterans, was held in Keefe Hall at 11:00 a. m., June 19, 1903.

The officers of the Ladies' Auxilliary to the Sons of Veterans were installed, followed by the installation of the officers of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Past National President, Mary L. Carr, of the Woman's Relief Corps, installed the following officers:

Department President, Therese A. Jenkins.

Senior Vice President, Anna B. McGee.

Junior Vice President, Lettie A. Capell.

Treasurer, Ida Critchell.

Chaplain, Mary E. West.

Mrs. Jenkins appointed the following officers:

Secretary, Mary Hader.

Inspector, Olive Killin.

I. and I. Officer, Julia Ferris.

Patriotic Instructor, M. E. Nevius.

Counselor, Emily H. Jones.

There being no further business, the 19th Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps was declared closed.

Report of Department Counselor.

FORT MORGAN, COLO., June 15, 1903.

Annie B. Sanborn, Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM:—As required by Rules and Regulations, I submit my report as Department Counselor for the year just closing. Facing every Dept. President are many perplexing

difficulties which meet her in the early days of her administration that dissolve on adjustment of her personality to the office, leaving no knotty problems for the Dept. Counselor to solve. The intimate relation existing between them during the year, both officially and personally, has enabled the Dept. Counselor to keep in touch with the administration, and further, in some slight degree, the work of the Department. No serious questions having been submitted, the work has not been arduous. A few questions pertaining to the new Corps at Pagosa Springs were settled by Rules and Regulations.

I desire to thank the Department President and you, Mrs. Secretary, for your kindness during the year, and the President for my appointment.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,
Department Counselor.

GREELEY, COLO., July 25, 1903.

We certify the foregoing is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, a correct copy of the proceedings of the Nineteenth Annual Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxilliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

ANNIE B. SANBORN,
Past Department Secretary.

EMILY H. JONES,
Past Department President.



Unofficial Proceedings.

The 19th Annual Convention really began the night of the 16th when the Commander, with a delegation of G. A. R's, arrived at Cheyenne. At the same time the battalion, staff and band of the second infantry arrived from the west, hailing from Manila. Upon meeting, an informal reunion occurred between the old and new veterans.

The 17th, Wednesday, at 2:30 p. m. the annual parade of the veterans occurred. They were escorted by the regular and State troops, Cook's Drum Corps led the procession. After the different troops and the city representatives had passed, came the old soldiers, two hundred strong, who marched four abreast behind the stars and stripes. When they came opposite the Woman's Relief Corps headquarters, the ladies of all the orders, who filled the balcony, began to sing the old soul stirring words, "Marching Thro' Georgia," which was responded to by the veterans by hurrahs, waving of hats, and finally joining in the singing which was kept up with fervor until the last soldier had passed.

In the evening a camp fire was tendered at Keefe hall. A program was rendered that was much enjoyed by all, especially the violin renditions of Miss Buchanan which were exquisite. A speech of welcome was made by Gov. Chatterton.

Department Commander, J. W. Huff, replied. Senator Warren, Judge Gibson Clark, Emily H. Jones, Dept. Pres. of W. R. C., followed with interesting talks. Mrs. Ross, Dept. Pres. of L. of G. A. R., read a paper. S. C. Taylor responded for the Sons of Veterans. Several others were called upon and responded briefly. Selections from the band and Cook's Drum Corps concluded the evening's successful entertainment.

The 18th, Thursday afternoon, the different orders adjourned their regular sessions until evening to accept an invitation to see the military drill and maneuver's at Fort Russell. It was rather a disappointment when reaching there to learn there would be no drill. However the Second Infantry band and Cook's Drum Corps rendered some good musical selections. Hard tack was passed around, each securing at least one square. The "boys" from Manila were interviewed in regard to service and country, having only arrived from there two days before. The train was then taken back to the city.

In the evening a ball was held. Many of the veterans and ladies took advantage of it, some as onlookers, while others tripping the light fantastic.

Friday evening, the 19th, a reception was given. Unfor-



MINNIE L. BENSON,
Senior Vice President



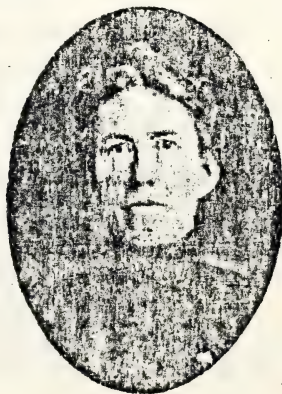
DELIA MULFORD,
Junior Vice President



ANNA B. LEIMBERGER,
Inspector



SYBIL E. WATSON,



ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,

fortunately the larger part of the delegates had to leave for home. However the new Commander and staff stopped over and enjoyed a royal time with the citizens of Cheyenne.

Decisions of Nineteenth Annual Convention.

1. That the representation to the Department Convention remain the same—one delegate for every twenty members and one delegate for the major fraction thereof.
2. That the per capita tax remain the same—15 cents per member.
3. That the six per cent. of the per capita tax now placed in the Department Relief be reduced to two per cent., and that all former legislation on this matter be rescinded.
4. That the action of the Eighteenth Convention be rescinded and the visiting of Corps be left to the discretion of the President.
5. That the number of General Orders be optional with the President, and if questions of importance arise, information be given Corps through Circular Letters.
6. That the number of Department Journals printed, be reduced to 250, one for each Department officer and delegate present and voting at Annual Convention.
7. That Department purchase Corps Treasurer Bond Blanks, the same to be sent by Department Secretary with Corps Election Blanks.

Communications.

LESUEUR, MINN., June 2, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

I wish to extend to you, and through you, to the sister members of your convention, my warmest love and greetings, and to say that it would give me the greatest pleasure to be with you in your meeting, and I had hoped to have the pleasure but as the distance is so great I do not feel that I can make the trip so far to the West, and then again so soon to attend our National Convention. I wish for you a most helpful and harmonious convention, and trust I may meet many of you in San Francisco this fall, I remain,

Yours sincerely in F. C. & L.,

LODUSKY J. TAYLOR.
National President, W. R. C.

STILLWATER, MINN., May 20, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

Your cordial invitation to be present at your Department Convention to be held in Cheyenne, Wyo., June 18 and 19, 1903, duly received. I need not say to you my dear President that I would greatly enjoy the privilege of meeting and greeting all the loyal, earnest workers of your Department. The long distance and great expense will, however, prevent my being with you. I want to congratulate you, my dear President, on your successful administration so soon to close, and to voice the hope that health and strength may be given you to carry on your "good work" to the end. Surely in the years to come you can always look back with pride on your year's work as Department President, feeling that "verily you have done what you could." Present your Convention assembled my greetings and love, and assure them the Department of Colorado and Wyoming occupies a warm spot in my heart. With love,

Yours friend,

ADA E. MAY,
National Secretary.

MENLO PARK, CAL., June 12, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

Please accept for yourself and sisters all, when in Convention assembled, my loving greetings, and best wishes for a delightful and profitable session. I hope to have the pleasure of meeting many of the members of your Department at National Convention in August.

Yours cordially in F. C. and L.,
GERALDINE E. FRISBIE,
National Senior Vice President.

BRADFORD, VT., May 2, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

Many thanks for your thoughtful courtesy in including me among your invited guests to the coming Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming. Most gladly would I accept if possible. Time, distance and the expense, are all against me. With fraternal greetings to the Convention assembled, and best wishes for the continued prosperity of your Department, I am,

Yours fraternally,

CALISTA ROBINSON JONES,
Past National President, W. R. C.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 3, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

Your very cordial invitation received. It would afford me much pleasure to accept, but it is not possible. The thought that you were with me during my "hour of trial" in Louisville, makes you nearer. I thank you for your General Orders, and shall wait with pleasant anticipation for your Journal, to see your face, and hear in imagination as I read, your address. I wish for you a peaceful and prosperous convention, filled with loving words and kind deeds, that will brighten your pathway for years to come.

Cordially yours,

EMMA R. WALLACE,
Past National President, W. R. C.

ANDERSONVILLE, GA., April 26, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President W. R. C.

Your cordial invitation to be with you at your Convention finds me in this far-away place. I wish you all might look out on the scene that meets my view to-day. Andersonville prison pen, with all its terrible memories is before me. But not the prison pen of 40 years ago. Thanks to the Woman's Relief Corps, roses bloom and flowers grow, where agonies and sufferings were borne for our country and flag, and for the integrity of our National Union. Wishing I might be with you, and thanking you for the invitation, I remain,

Yours in F. C. and L.,
LIZABETH A. TURNER.

SUPERIOR, NEB., April 26, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

I wish I might be with you at your Convention, but I find myself confined at home this spring. However I shall think of you, and my best wishes will be for a profitable and harmonious Convention for your Department, as a suitable ending to a faithful, competent and successful administration.

Most cordially yours in F. C. & L.-

ABBIE A. ADAMS.

MCMINNVILLE, TENN., April 24, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

I thank you sincerely and heartily for the invitation to 'help make the Cheyenne Convention a success.' I am sure that with your level head and true heart, it will be a success. But I regret that it will be quite impossible for me to leave

home for such a distance. I wish for it all you could desire, my sister, and for the W. R. C. a greater and greater degree of intelligent zeal in its work for the veterans. Last year Mr. Telford and I were the "squad" that decorated one grave in a little cemetery near us, on Memorial Day, four miles out from McMinnville. This year, in the same little God's acre, are four soldiers' graves to which we shall take our flowers.

Yours sincerely, in F. C. and L.,
M. J. TELFORD.

OXFORD, OHIO, June 16, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

I regret I can not be with you during the convention. I congratulate the officers on the work of the past year, and trust the duties of the convention will be discharged with satisfaction to all and success to the Order.

Cordially yours in F. C. and L.

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Past Department President.

FORT MORGAN, COLO., June 15, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

It has been said, that "as soon as a member of our Order reaches the highest position the Department can give her, she stays at home." My desire to be with you is the same it always is at Convention time, and only unforeseen circumstances keeps me at home. Remember me to all members of the convention, and may great good result from the meeting together of so many workers of our Order.

Sincerely in F. C. and L.

ARABELLA C. JOHNSON,
Department Counselor.

MONTE VISTA, COLO., May 21, 1903.

Emily H. Jones, Department President, W. R. C.

Acknowledging your favor of May 20th, I beg to tender our thanks for the kindness exhibited in the matter of a pool table for the Home, which I have no doubt will be the source of much entertainment to the old boys here, and help to wear away otherwise tedious hours.

Commander Shaw desires me to say that it will be set up on arrival in one of the rooms of our new hall. Please convey our thanks to all the ladies who have assisted in the matter. Yours very truly, in F. C. & L.

SAMUEL WEST,
Adjutant.

General Orders.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. }
1120, Eighth St., Greeley, Colo., June 16, 1902.

General Orders }
No. 1. }

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at the Eighteenth Department Convention, held at Rocky Ford, Colo., June 10, 11 and 12, 1902, I hereby assume its duties and extend my thanks for the honor conferred. Realizing the responsibilities of the office, I ask the cordial support of each member, that the year may be a prosperous one.

I. Department Headquarters are hereby established at Greeley, Colo.

II. Mrs. Ida Critchell, Critchell, Colo., has been re-elected Department Treasurer. All orders for supplies will be addressed to her.

A list of elected and appointed officers will be published in next General Orders.

EMILY H. JONES,
Department President.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. }
1120, Eighth St., Greeley, Colo., July 7, 1902

General Orders }
No. 2. }

I. The Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, held at Rocky Ford, Colo., June 10, 11 and 12, 1902, elected the following officers:

Department President, Emily H. Jones, Greeley, Colo.

Department Senior Vice President, Minnie L. Benson, Denver, Colo.

Department Junior Vice President, Delia Mulford, Boulder, Colo.

Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell, Denver, Colo.

Department Chaplain, Sybil E. Watson, Pueblo, Colo.

DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Therese A. Jenkins, Chairman, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Lettie A. Capell, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Jennie G. Harper, Greeley, Colo.

Jennie McGill, Denver, Colo.

Susie Carr McGwire, Longmont, Colo.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Delegate at Large, Emma Godding, Rocky Ford, Colo.

First Delegate, Mrs. Ellison, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Second Delegate, Lydia C. Young, Evans, Colo.

Third Delegate, Susie Searle, Leadville, Colo.

Alternate at Large, Ida Hickox, Rocky Ford, Colo.

First Alternate, Agnes M. Yates, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Second Alternate, Novella Van Orsdol, Springfield, Colo.

Third Alternate, Susie C. McGwire, Longmont, Colo.

APPOINTMENTS.

II. The following appointments have been made:

Department Secretary, Annie B. Sanborn, 1413 Eleventh street, Greeley, Colo.

Department Inspector, Annie B. Leimberger, Cripple Creek, Colo.

Department I. and I. Officer, M. L. Jennings, Rawlins, Wyo.

Department Counselor, Arabella C. Johnson, Fort Morgan, Colo.

Department Patriotic Instructor, Delia F. Buell, Salida, Colo.

Department Press Correspondent, Olive A. Killin, Kiowa, Colo.

These officers having been duly installed will be respected and obeyed accordingly. Their predecessors are relieved from duty.

III. The Executive Committee elected the following Auditing Committee:

Therese A. Jenkins, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Jennie McGill, Denver, Colo.

Susie C. McGwire, Longmont, Colo.

IV. Each Corps is requested to appoint a Press Correspondent and send all items of interest to the Department Press Correspondent, Olive A. Killen, Kiowa, Colo.

V. The Roll of Honor will be continued. Let each Corps President make extra effort to have quarterly reports forwarded to Department Secretary before the fifth day of the first month of the quarter. The report for last quarter was, no delinquent Corps. Let the high standard be maintained all through the year.

VI. The convention at Rocky Ford will be memorable for its strict attention to, and quick dispatch of, business,

and for the harmony and good will everywhere present. The officers elect were honored by being installed by Past National President Mary L. Carr.

The following decisions were adopted by the Eighteenth Annual Convention and are hereby announced for the benefit of the officers and members of the order.

1. That the representation to Department Convention remain the same, one delegate for every twenty members and one for every major portion of that number.

2. That the per capita tax remain the same as formerly, fifteen cents per member per quarter.

3. That one of the specific duties of the Department President be a visit paid each Corps at least once in each year if possible, outside of regular inspection.

4. That Corps' Treasurer's bonds be placed upon the list of free blanks.

5. That Corps Press Correspondents be required to furnish items to Department Press Correspondent within five days of date of happening.

6. That insurance be carried on stock in the hands of Department Treasurer.

7. That the amount expended for a testimonial for the Department President be reduced from \$50 to \$25.

VII. The Department Password accompanies these general Orders.

VIII. Department Headquarters are established at 1120 Eighth street, Greeley, Colo. A cordial welcome will be accorded all Comrades and members of the Order.

By Command of

EMILY H. JONES,

Department President.

ANNIE B. SANBORN,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. }

General Orders }
No. 3. }

1120 Eighth Street, Greeley, Colo., July 23, 1902,

I. The Twentieth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in Washington, D. C., the week of Oct. 6, with headquarters at the Ebbit House. Delegates and representatives must notify Department Headquarters at once, if accommodations are desired with the delegation.

II. Corps Secretaries are requested to forward to Department Secretary the names of deceased members, number of Corps and location.

III. Corps Chaplains will report the death of a member to Department Chaplain Sybil E. Watson, Pueblo, Colo.

IV. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the second quarter in the order named:

15, 43, 32, 9, 40, 16, 24, 13, 23, 18, 2, 5, 27, 14, 12, 45, 22, 21, 20, 17, 42, 6, 31, 3, 34, 26, 1, 39, 25, 4, 35, 37, 29, 11.

V. The following additional appointments have been made:

DEPARTMENT RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Chairman, Lucy M. Campbell, No. 40, Denver, Colo.

Sarah J. Miller, No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.

Margelia E. Hamilton, No. 6, Denver, Colo.

Mattie Stewart, No. 5, Golden, Colo.

Senior Aide and Chief of Staff, Mary E. Nevius, Aspen, Colo.

DEPARTMENT AIDES.

Sarah Parker.....	No. 1	Lillian Inman.....	No. 2
Lottie E. Sanford.....	" 3	Anna M. Price.....	" 4
Lulu Devalon.....	" 5	Fannie Ames.....	" 6
Bertha Myers.....	" 9	Alice Galiher.....	" 11
Celia Mullen.....	" 12	Fannie Ladd.....	" 14
Elizabeth R. Clark.....	" 15	Ida A. Phenecie.....	" 16
Dora L. Steele.....	" 17	Hattie Otis.....	" 18
Mabel Spears.....	" 21	Almina Johnson.....	" 23
L. A. Herriott.....	" 24	Eva Nye.....	" 26
Ella B. Moulton.....	" 29	May Flansburg.....	" 32
Anna Gideno.....	" 34	Ella Falkner.....	" 38
Achsah Pray.....	" 39	Helen McAdam.....	" 40
Alice B. Cheney, No. 43.			

Department Aides will find their duties outlined in Rules and Regulations, page 16, 1902 edition.

Let each Aide make special effort to lessen the number of delinquents, and also to encourage reinstatement among those who have gone out of the Order.

Aides must report once a quarter to Senior Aide, Mary E. Nevius, Aspen, Colo.

Badges are procured through Corps Treasurers without expense. At close of office they revert to Department, as badges are Department property.

VI. Circular Letter No. 3, informs us of a serious accident to National President Calista Robinson Jones, on her return from a visit to western Departments. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming extend to her love and sympathy.

VII. For the many kind words of congratulation and good wishes which have been received, also for the pledges of loyal support from the members throughout the Department, our sincere thanks are hereby extended.

Died, on the morning of July 4, Florence N. Bradfield, Past Corps Treasurer of U. S. Grant. For her faithfulness to duty, her cheery and happy disposition, and her readiness to respond to every call for help, she will be sadly missed by her sister members.

By command of

EMILY H. JONES,

Department President.

ANNIE B. SANBORN,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, }
1120 Eighth Street, Greeley, Colo., Aug. 28, 1902.

General Orders }
No. 4. }

I. The annual inspection of Corps will be made during the months of September, October and November.

II. Corps Presidents are requested to have all books and records of the year from Aug. 3, 1901, to Aug. 3, 1902, ready for examination on arrival of Inspector.

III. Special meetings will be called when requested by Inspector, and all members notified of the date. The entire work of the Ritual must be exemplified.

IV. Department Inspector Annie B. Leimberger will inspect Corps Nos. 1, 6, 9, 13, 14, 15, 18, 20, 21, 24, 26, 27, 32, 33, 40, 42.

Department President will inspect Corps Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 25, 30, 32, 34, 37, 39, 41, 43, 44.

Department Senior Vice President Minnie L. Benson will inspect Corps Nos. 5, 28, 29, 35, 45.

V. Notice of date of inspection will be sent to each corps later.

VI. Corps Presidents will see that Quarterly Reports of Secretary and Treasurer agree before sending to Department Secretary. Also be prompt in forwarding same so that they may reach Department Headquarters before October 5.

VII. Corps Treasurers should notify all in arrears and make strenuous efforts to restore suspended members before

Sept. 30, as the representation to Department Convention is based upon the number of members in good standing at close of third quarter.

VIII. The Department Commander, G. A. R., has announced in General Orders the following:

The National Encampment will be held in Washington, D. C., October 8 to 11. Railroad fare from all common points in Colorado has been fixed at \$41.75 with one stopover privilege going and one returning. Berths in Pullman sleepers about \$7; in tourist sleepers, \$4.50. Further information will be given later.

IX. Department Headquarters Woman's Relief Corps will be established at The Senate, 225 Pennsylvania Avenue.

All Comrades, members of the W. R. C., and friends of the order are cordially invited to call and register.

X. Delegates and members must procure National pass-word from Corps Presidents before leaving home.

XI. Memorial University is located at Mason City, Iowa. It was founded by Sons of Veterans and erected as a memorial to the loyal men and women of '61 and '65. It seems most fitting that such an institution should have the patronage of patriotic people.

The Regents of the University have offered to each Department of the Woman's Relief Corps a free scholarship. The only requirement for admission is, that the applicant be the son or daughter of a soldier, and of good, moral character.

Any information desired will be given by addressing Memorial University, Mason City, Iowa.

XII. The thanks of Department Headquarters, W. R. C., are hereby extended to Department Headquarters, G. A. R., for Journal of 23d Annual Encampment and other courtesies.

XIII. The Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell, having returned to Denver, Corps Treasurers will address her at 1441 Hooker Street.

XIV. Department Headquarters will be closed from October, 2 to October 15.

XV. The Department extends the sympathy of the Woman's Relief Corps to Mrs. Minnie J. Gould, President of Crocker Corps No. 40, and to her four sisters, all members of the W. R. C., upon the death of their mother.

June 10, 1902, Mrs. Elwilda Stoddard, Past J. V. President and Conductor of Elbert Co. Corps No. 29, passed into the "Great Beyond."

The sympathy of the whole Order is with the Grand Army

of the Republic in the death of Past Commander in Chief of G. A. R., Paul Van Der Voort. In his death the Woman's Relief Corps loses a friend and helper. It was during his administration that the National Order of the W. R. C. was organized. He was the only member of the G. A. R. elected to honorary membership in the Woman's Relief Corps. This honor was bestowed upon him in grateful recognition of his successful efforts, by which the Woman's Relief Corps became Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

"So he stole away, gave no warning, said not good-night, but in some brighter world will say good-morning."

By command of

ANNIE B. SANBORN,
Department Secretary.

EMILY H. JONES,
Department President.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, }
1120 Eighth Street, Greeley, Colo., Oct. 30, 1902.

General Orders }
No 5. }

I. The annual election of Corps Officers will take place at the first regular meeting in December, as per Rules and Regulation. If the work of election should be incomplete a special meeting must be called to conclude the election. Delegates to the Department Convention will be elected at the same time, at the ratio of one delegate and one alternate for each twenty members in good standing at close of quarter ending September 30, and one delegate and one alternate for major fraction of that number.

II. The officers elect shall choose installing officer, the Corps Secretary notifying Department Secretary the choice of officer. These officers shall be installed at first regular meeting in January or at a special meeting called during the month for that purpose.

III. Two election blanks will be forwarded to each Corps President, who will deliver them to the installing officer. These blanks must be properly filled out, and one sent to Department Secretary, Annie B. Sanborn, Greeley, Colo., and one to Department I. and I. Officer, M. L. Jennings, Rawlins, Wyo.

IV. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the third quarter in order named: Nos. 32, 29, 24, 9, 12, 40, 18, 8, 16, 30, 19, 17, 5, 1, 15, 35, 13, 3, 25, 41, 31, 38, 27, 14, 45, 2, 26, 23, 4, 20, 37, 21, 6, 39, 42.

V. Our Quarterly Reports show four delinquent Corps this quarter. Can anything further be said to urge Corps Presidents to attend to this matter at the proper time? Will you not make one grand effort to have all reports in on time for the fourth quarter?

VI. We regret to report the disbanding of Phil Sheridan Corps No. 44.

VII. A new Corps has been organized at Pagosa Springs with a charter membership of twenty-three. This Corps will be known as Gen. Ed Hatch No. 10. We welcome it to the sisterhood of Corps and bid it Godspeed.

VIII. The attention of Corps members is called to the yearly gift to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes for magazines and papers. As no appropriation has been made by the state legislature for the erection of cottages for the wives of soldiers, nothing is asked of the Corps this year in the way of furnishings, therefore the donation for literature should be a generous one. The joyous Christmas time which is so near at hand would be a most suitable time to renew subscriptions. Please send through Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell, 1441 Hale Street, Denver, who is appointed a committee on Soldiers' Home, that each Corps contributing may receive credit therefor.

IX. Corps Treasurers will please notice change of street in Department Treasurer's address. Hereafter address her at 1441 Hale Street, Denver.

X. The following additional Department Aides are announced: Lottie S. Sanborn, No. 3; Novella VanOrsdol, No. 22; Louisa Holderman, No. 30; Maria Gregory, No. 42; Anna Tenbrook, No. 37; Irene Cowie, No. 27; Myra Taylor, No. 10; Anna M. Barrett, No. 8.

By Command of

ANNIE B. SANBORN,
Department Secretary.

EMILY H. JONES,
Department President.

Headquarters Department Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. }
1120 Eighth Street, Greeley, Colo., Jan. 28, 1903.

General Orders }
No. 6. }

I. The Department President extends fraternal greeting to the newly installed Corps officers, and wishes them great success in the year's work.

Let each member assist the officers by her prompt and reg-

ular attendance at Corps meetings, and by taking an active interest in everything that pertains to the good of the Order. The prosperity of a Corps depends upon the loyalty of its members.

II. The Annual Inspection of Corps was finished November 15. Every Corps in the Department was inspected by a Department officer, who found Corps generally, in a most flourishing condition.

III. The attention of Corps Patriotic Instructors is called to the Circular Letter sent out by the National Patriotic Instructor. Their duties are fully set forth in National General Orders No. 3. The Corps Patriotic Instructors are requested to study them carefully and carry out as far as possible the orders therein given.

IV. The Journals of Eighteenth Department Convention have been forwarded to all representatives and delegates. Copies will be forwarded to any member on receipt of five cents for postage.

V. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for Fourth Quarter in the order named: Nos. 43, 24, 15, 35, 26, 13, 32, 21, 9, 29, 23, 37, 12, 34, 10, 11, 20, 16, 5, 28, 1, 40, 2, 18, 41, 4, 25, 17, 6, 45, 19, 22, 27, 3, 31. But one delinquent Corps last quarter.

VI. We regret to announce the disbanding of Myron W. Reed No. 7, and Pike's Peak No. 39, owing to non attendance of members.

VII. The Quarterly Reports of Department Treasurer and Department Secretary for Fourth Quarter, give the number of members in good standing 1844, an increase of 93 over Third quarter.

IX. The Department Treasurer reports the following donations for Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, Colorado:

McPherson No. 32.....	\$ 2 00
Colorado Springs No. 4.....	2 50
W. T. Sherman No. 24.....	1 00
Sedgwick No. 3.....	1 50
M. M. Crocker No. 40.....	4 00
Veteran No. 14.....	10 80

Other than money:—

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, comforts, etc.	\$10 00
Kilpatrick No. 34, comforts and books	5 00
Ellsworth No. 28, literature, tobacco.	8 05

For Soldiers' Home at Cheyenne, Wyoming:

Custer No. 20.....	\$20 00
Casper W. Collins No. 13.....	20 00
Colorado Springs No. 4.....	2 50
W. T. Sherman No. 24.....	1 00

Colorado Springs No. 4, is to be especially commended for its relief work, having contributed relief to the amount of \$367.55, during the last quarter, and provided 218 persons in soldiers' families with Thanksgiving dinner.

X. Many Corps have contributed to the Department Relief Fund, which is appreciated by the Department Relief Committee. If other Corps, having little or no relief work, would like to aid the needy and worthy veteran, can do so by sending donations to Department Treasurer, and will receive credit therefor, and the thanks of the committee.

XI. The Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell, having changed her residence, Corps Treasurers will address her at 1259 South Eleventh street, Denver.

XII. The attention of Corps is called to National General Orders No. 4, Paragraph II, which reads: "Corps Presidents are recommended to provide their Corps with the latest revised editions of Rules and Regulations, Ritual and Service Book."

XIII. The following members of our Order have answered the last roll call: Anna D. Huff, Veteran No. 14; Elwilda Stoddard, Elbert Co., No. 29; Amelia G. Crissman, M. M. Crocker No. 40.

"He gives His angels charge of those who sleep,
But He, Himself, watches with those who wake."

By command of

EMILY H. JONES,

ANNIE B. SANBORN.

Department President.

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }

Woman's Relief Corps, }

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, }

1120 Eighth Street, Greeley Colo., March 16, 1903.

General Orders {

No. 7. }

I. The Nineteenth Department Convention will be held in Cheyenne, Wyo., June 17, 18 and 19. Headquarters will be established at the Inter-Ocean Hotel. Additional information will be given in next General Orders.

II. Corps Secretaries will notify the Department Secretary of changes made in delegates to Department Convention, that the names may appear on the roster.

III. Department Aides are requested to send a full report

of the year's work to Chief Aide, Mary E. Nevius, Aspen, Colo., not later than May 20, in order that she may have a complete and interesting report for the Department Convention. Department Aides must return their badges to Department Treasurer on expiration of term of office.

IV. The Relief Corps Messenger is the official W. R. C. paper. Corps Press Correspondents are urged to send items of interest to Department Press Correspondent, Olive A. Killin, Kiowa, Colo. Many things are transpiring throughout the Department which are worthy of mention. Let them be noted in the Messenger.

V. Corps Patriotic Instructors must fill out blanks which have been forwarded them and return to Department Patriotic Instructor, Delia F. Buell, Salida, Colo., before May 25. Any information concerning Patriotic Primers, Oleograph of the Flag, Independence Charts, forming Bands of Mercy will be gladly given by the Department Patriotic Instructor.

VI. Corps Presidents are again urged to be prompt in forwarding Quarterly reports to Department Secretary, Annie B. Sanborn, 1413 Eleventh Street, Greeley, Colo. All reports should be forwarded by April 1. Let each Corps strive to be on the Roll of Honor this quarter.

VII. Corps Chaplains are requested to send the names of members who have died since June 1, 1902, with date of death and official rank, to Department Chaplain, Sybil E. Watson, 1215 Pine Street, Pueblo, in order that they may appear in the report for the year.

VIII. Contributions for the Southern Memorial Day Fund are now due. Let us not forget those who lie buried far from home and loved ones. All contributions must be forwarded to Department Treasurer, Ida Critchell, 1259 South Eleventh Street, Denver, not later than April 10.

IX. In company with the Department Treasurer and the President and several members of J. F. Reynolds Corps a visit was made to the Soldiers' Home at Cheyenne, Wyo. The Home although small is an ideal one. The comrades are happy and contented and regret exceedingly that the Home is to be transferred to Fort McKinney some miles from Cheyenne. Special thanks are due to Mrs. J. A. Stitzer and wife for courtesies shown.

By command of

EMILY H. JONES,
Department President.

ANNIE B. SANBORN,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, }
1120, Eighth St., Greeley, Colo., April 30, 1903.

General Orders }
No. 8. }

I. The Nineteenth Department Convention will be held in Cheyenne, Wyo., June 17, 18 and 19, 1903, in Odd Fellows' hall.

II. Department Headquarters will be established at the Inter Ocean Hotel, where all members and friends of the Order will be cordially welcomed.

III. The membership of the Convention will consist of Department Officers, Past Department Presidents, Past Department Secretaries, Past Department Treasurers, Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents and all regularly elected delegates. Credential Cards are enclosed with these General Orders, and Corps Presidents will see that they are properly filled out and forwarded to those entitled to them. The Senior Vice President will sign the President's card.

IV. The railroads have granted the usual rates, one fare for the round trip. Reception committee will meet all trains.

V. Those desiring accommodations during Convention will communicate with Mrs. Therese A. Jenkins, 206 East Sixteenth street, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Hotel rates are announced as follows: Inter Ocean Hotel, \$2.00 to \$3.00 per day; Dyer House, \$1.25 to \$2.00 per day; Metropolitan Hotel, rooms 50 cents to 75 cents each person; Normandie Hotel, rooms 50 cents to 75 cents each person.

VI. The Credential Committee, consisting of Annie B. Sanborn, Kate M. Clatworthy and Sarah J. Miller, will be at Department Headquarters at Inter Ocean, Wednesday afternoon, and at Odd Fellows' hall Thursday morning, at 8 o'clock, to receive delegates and furnish badges.

VII. The Auditing Committee will meet with the Assistant National Inspector, Annie Ohnhaus, at Department Headquarters, June 17 at 4 p. m. The Department Council will meet at the same place at 5 p. m.

VIII. The Convention proper will convene promptly at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at Odd Fellows' hall. All officers and delegates are requested to be in readiness for duty at that hour. Delegates and visiting members must procure pass-word from their Corps President.

IX. Officers and all those who have reports to render at Convention must forward same, for approval, to Department Headquarters by June 5th.

X. Resolutions or recommendations to be presented to the Convention must be forwarded to Department Secretary by June 10.

XI. The Department Treasurer will close her books June 10. Corps are requested to order all supplies and remit any sums due the Department before that date.

XII. Convention Appointments:

Conductor, Susie Rinn, No. 14.

Assistant Conductor, May Flansburg, No. 32.

Guard, Mary A. Patterson, No. 9.

Assistant Guard, Bertha Myers, No. 9.

Color Bearers, Lucy J. Dresser, No. 15; Esther H. Randolph, No. 15; Elizabeth R. Clark, No. 15; Jennie G. Harper, No. 15.

XIII. The reports of the National Secretary for the quarter ending March 31, 1903, were as follows:

Members in good standing.....	1821
Cash expended for relief.....\$	494 98
Relief other than money.....	661 10
Total number of persons assisted.....	383

XIV. Veteran No. 14 is entitled to the badge of honor, having expended the greatest amount for relief, \$332.50.

XV. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for second quarter, in the order named: 29, 9, 43, 40, 34, 15, 16, 13, 14, 2, 24, 45, 12, 1, 27, 41, 21, 8, 18, 28, 20, 5, 32, 31, 23, 6, 22, 25, 26, 17, 4, 5, 10, 37, 38, 42, 11.

XVI. Corps Presidents are urged to fill out properly Form OO and forward to Department Inspector not later than July 10.

XVII. Corps Chaplains will forward to Department Chaplain, Sybil E. Watson, 1215 Pine street, Pueblo, Colo., Memorial Day reports not later than June 5.

Thanks are due the following Corps for their ready response to Circular Letter for donations to furnish assembly hall at S. S. Home at Monte Vista:

North Fork, No. 11.....	\$12 00
C. W. Collins, No. 13.....	3 00
Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27.....	5 00
W. T. Sherman, No. 24.....	1 00
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	5 00
McPherson, No. 32.....	8 00
Grand Junction, No. 17.....	5 00
Reno, No. 21.....	15 00
G. H. Thomas, No. 26.....	5 00
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	10 00
Sedgwick, No. 3.....	5 00
Gunnison, No. 12.....	2 00

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Pfeiffer, No. 25.....	3 00
J. A. Garfield, No. 8.....	5 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	5 00
Veteran, No. 14.....	3 00
Upton, No. 2.....	10 00

The following donations have been received for Memorial Day in the South:

Geo. G. Meade, No. 6.....	\$ 1 00
J. A. Garfield, No. 8.....	5 00
Pfeiffer, No. 25.....	1 00
Colorado Springs, No. 4.....	1 00
C. W. Collins, No. 13.....	1 00
Veteran, No. 14.....	2 00
J. W. Anderson, No. 23.....	1 00
Victor, No. 41.....	1 00
R. A. Cameron, No. 18.....	1 00
U. S. Grant, No. 15.....	1 00
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XIX. The National Convention will be held in San Francisco, Cal., August 17-22, 1903. The rate from Denver and return will be from \$40.00 to \$51.00.

XX. I wish to acknowledge the receipt of General Orders from almost every Department, and thanks are hereby extended Department Presidents for this courtesy.

XXI. In closing this, my last General Order, I wish to express my gratitude for the support given me during the administration and for the many kind words received from the officers and members of the Order. These expressions of good will have made the duties easy and the burdens light,

My year closes with fond memories of the past and bright hopes for the new administration.

XXII. During the year death has entered the homes of many of our co-workers and taken from them their best beloved. To all mourning hearts the Department extends its loving sympathy. Since January 1st the following members have been called from earth away:

Sarah Marsh, Reno, No. 14; Magdalena Oakes, Meade No. 6; Mary Lemmon, U. S. Grant No. 15; Margaret E. Watson, U. S. Grant No. 15.

"And we who linger 'mid life's toil and pain,
Nor see the meaning of its mystery,
Shall keep within our hearts a tender strain
For that sweet memory."

By command of
EMILY H. JONES.

ANNE B. SANBORN,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. }
1120 Eighth St., Greeley, Colo., April 30, 1903.

MEMORIAL ORDER.

The Nation's Memorial Day draws near—the day on which the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps unite in paying homage to the heroic dead.

May it be to us a holy day, full of tender thoughts and loving memories. In a reverent spirit let us scatter the fragrant flowers over their low mounds, not forgetting those who sleep in unmarked and unknown graves.

“Laurels and roses on their graves today,
Lilies and laurels over them we lay,
And violets o'er each unforgotten head.”

Invite the children to participate in these beautiful ceremonies, thus teaching love for the flag and loyalty to country.

In accordance with the decision of the Nineteenth National Convention, let flowers be strewn on the water by those Corps adjacent to streams, in memory of those who died at sea.

It is recommended that Corps President set aside a day during Memorial week, in which to decorate the graves of deceased members, giving the day entirely to our soldier dead.

“The smoke of battle has cleared away,
And Peace her vigil is keeping;
Though wet with tears are the flowers we lay
Where our gallant dead are sleeping.”

By command of

EMILY H. JONES,

ANNIE B. SANBORN,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming, }
Woman's Relief Corps, }
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. }
1120 Eighth St., Greeley, Colo., Feb. 24, 1903.

CIRCULAR LETTER }
No. 1. }

Since the establishment of the Soldier's and Sailor's Home at Monte Vista, it has been the custom of the Woman's Relief Corps to contribute, yearly, something for the comfort and happiness of the Veterans there. This year nothing has been asked of the Corps.

I found on a recent visit that they were well supplied with all the necessities of life, food clothing, bedding, medical attendance, a liberal supply of reading matter, etc., but there was a dearth of everything in the way of amusements.

A large assembly hall has just been completed which will be used for all purposes and it has been suggested that a pool and billiard table combined, would afford them both amusement and exercise and would be a suitable and worthy gift from the Woman's Relief Corps. Many Soldier's Homes throughout the United States, are equipped with both billiard and pool tables, which gives much pleasure to the inmates.

The days are long and lonely to these men, many of whom have left families and friends behind, and if we can in any way brighten the few days remaining before "the low green tents whose curtains never outward swing" are pitched, it is obligatory on us to do so.

I therefore recommend the Corps throughout the Department, to contribute as liberally as they can to this object.

Please send all monies to Ida Critchell, Department Treasurer, 1259 So. 11th St., Denver, Colo.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

EMILY H. JONES,

ANNIE B. SANBORN,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

Decisions of Department Conventions.

I. A Roll of Honor is hereby established for all Corps sending reports of both Secretary and Treasurer, with per capita tax enclosed, on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.

II. That rituals and badges (new ribbons being supplied the latter) belonging to disbanded Corps, be sold at regular prices.

III. That the President-elect be furnished with a copy of the Decisions of Convention within fifteen days after the adjournment.

IV. That the rate of representation to Department Convention be one delegate for every twenty members, and one additional delegate for the fraction of more than one-half that number.

V. That the per capita tax be 15 cents per quarter.

VI. That all orders for supplies be properly made on requisition blanks, with the accompanying money sent made payable by either post office or express order, and sent direct to the department treasurer.

VII. That at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from Corps nearest the Department President, in order to facilitate the auditing of books and accounts.

VIII. That the Corps Secretary file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year.

IX. That Department Secretary in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps Secretaries, shall indicate in red ink, on line 15, Form A, "number remaining suspended, last report," which shall not be changed, the same to be a copy of column 16, on consolidated report of previous quarter.

X. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at Headquarters for one year.

XI. That a record be kept at Headquarters, giving the date of organization of Corps and names of charter members; also a record of all disbanded Corps and causes of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.

XII. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.

XIII. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers on the roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that the date of organization be added to the roster.

XIV. That on election returns sent to the Department Secretary be written the address of the Corps President, Secretary and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

XV. That a general order containing the address of the Department Chaplain be sent to all Corps Chaplains.

XVI. That the silver pins for National Delegates' Badges ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention, remain the property of the Department, and in the custody of the Department Treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge and return the same to the Department Treasurer after the Convention; that the Department President can change the ribbon of the badges at her discretion.

XVII. That Corps sending for supplies shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies can not be entered on the books of the Department Treasurer.

XVIII. That is not permissible for Corps to have any entertainment on Memorial Day for money-making purposes which will desecrate the sacredness of the day.

XIX. That the Corps of this Department lend every effort

to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with the Corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30, or some other day.

XX. That installing officers be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of the Corps officers, typewritten if possible, the names given in full and correctly spelled.

XXI. That Corps Treasurers in cities give their street and number on quarterly reports.

XXII. That two copies of General Orders be sent to each Corps, one for the President and one for the Secretary.

XXIII. That the Department banner be taken to the Convention hall at annual meetings.

XXIV. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee, as the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

XXV. That the election of officers at Department Convention be held on the morning of the second day.

XXVI. That the retiring Department President send the Journals direct to those entitled to them.

XXVII. That the Department receive bids for printing Journals and give the contract to the lowest reliable bidder.

XXVIII. That the Department Press Correspondent be furnished with subscriptions to the papers or periodicals which she is required to supply with news.

XXIX. That the Department President-elect use her influence to have at least one woman, a member of the W. R. C., appointed a member of the Soldiers' Home Commission.

XXX. That the incoming President use her discretion in making application to one of the leading daily papers of Denver for space for weekly patriotic contributions.

XXXI. That Corps Presidents do not appoint new Patriotic Committees until after Department Convention, thus allowing more time for good reports.

XXXII. That prizes be offered for patriotic contests in schools, the awarding to be determined by a committee from the Grand Army Posts and Woman's Relief Corps.

XXXIII. That the Department Secretary send to the Department Press Correspondent monthly all items of interest in connection with Department work.

XXXIV. That 500 copies of the Journal be printed, and that the decisions, the By-Laws of the Department, be revised by the retiring Department President, all obsolete matter to be stricken out.

XXXV. That the names of the President, Secretary and

Treasurer of each administration, with the names of the corresponding officers of the Grand Army of the Republic from the organization of the W. R. C. in this Department, be printed in the Journal.

XXXVI. That, as full and complete reports of all officers are printed in the Journal, only a summary of the Chaplain's, I. and I. officer's and Inspector's reports be read in Convention.

XXXVII. That Mary L. Carr be continued the custodian of the charter records of this Department.

XXXVIII. That the words "wife, widow or daughter of a Union soldier" should be eliminated from Decision No. 1, passed at the 14th Annual Convention.

XXXIX. That hereafter the exemplification of the Ritual shall not take place until after the election of officers.

XL. That a roster of the Department officers shall be issued in printed form soon after the Department Convention annually.

XLI. That the design on our Department banner be adopted as the design for badge of delegates from this Department to the National Convention, and that a die be cast for the same.

XLII. That a suitable book be furnished Department Headquarters for copying official letters for reference.

XLIII. That Department Aide's badges be furnished by the Department, to revert with office.

XLIV. That a storm serge flag be furnished Department Headquarters for draping on national holidays.

XLV. That when an executive officer of this Department removes her residence to another Department without offering her resignation, her place shall be declared vacant by the Department President—two-thirds of the Department Council sanctioning the same—and the office shall be filled by the Department Council.

XLVI. That Corps Press Correspondents be required to furnish items to Department Press Correspondent within five days of date of happening.

XLVII. That insurance be carried on stock in the hands of Department Treasurer.

XLVIII. That the amount expended for a testimonial for the Department President be reduced from \$50.00 to \$25.00.

Department Executive Officers, G. A. R.—W. R. C.

1884—DENVER, COLO.

Byron L. Carr, Department Commander.	Catherine C. Kennedy, Denver, Department President.
Eben White, Adjutant General.	Caroline L. Parker, Golden, Colo. Department Secretary.
Eugene A. Austin, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Mary A. Stimpson, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1885—DENVER, COLO.

A. V. Bohm, Department Commander.	Catharine C. Kennedy, Denver, Department President.
F. R. Miller, Asst. Adjutant General.	Helen R. Eldridge, Denver, Department Secretary.
N. R. Twitchell, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Olive Hogle, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1886—PUEBLO, COLO.

Henry Bowman, Department Commander.	Mary Jewett Telford, Denver, Department President.
E. H. Sawyer, Asst. Adjutant General.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Department Secretary.
D. I. Ezekiel, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Olive Hogle, Department Treasurer.

1887—DENVER, COLO.

Geo. Ady, Department Commander.	Mary Jewett Telford, Denver, Department President.
Jas. A. Lowrie, Asst. Adjutant General.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Olive Hogle, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1888—CHEYENNE, WYO.

John W. Browning, Department Commander.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Department President.
A. B. Place, Asst. Adjutant General.	Libbie Kent Daniels, Denver, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Mary J. Handyside, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1889—GREELEY, COLO.

Thos. M. Fisher, Department Commander.	Augusta B. Henderson, Denver, Department President.
Nicholas J. O'Brien, Asst. Adjutant General.	Emily R. Cohen, Denver, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Lettie L. Kessler, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1890—DENVER, COLO.

Delos L. Holden, Department Commander.	America Anderson, Denver, Department President.
R. H. Dunn, Asst. Adjutant General.	Sarah E. Calvert, Denver, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Ida DeLange, Denver, Department Treasurer.

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1891—MANITOU, COLO.

Geo. W. Cook, Department Commander.	Climena G. Howard, Greeley, Department President.
Phil. Trounstine, Asst. Adjutant General.	Josephine Cheeseman, Greeley, Department Secretary.
S. McClanathan, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Department Treasurer.

1892—BOULDER, COLO.

John C. Kennedy, Department Commander.	Mary L. Carr, Longmont, Colo., Department President.
J. W. Anderson, Asst. Adjutant General.	Mary T. Brenbarger, Longmont, Department Secretary.
John L. Handley, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Department Treasurer.

1893—PUEBLO, COLO.

Myron W. Reed, Department Commander.	Laura S. Dodge, Boulder, Colo., Department President.
W. T. S. May, Asst. Adjutant General.	Isa E. Crosby, Boulder, Colo., Department Secretary.
John L. Handley, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Janette L. Todd, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1894—ASPEN, COLO.

Nathan Rollins, Department Commander.	Janette L. Todd, Denver, Department President.
J. W. Anderson, Asst. Adjutant General.	Olive C. Butler, Denver, Department Secretary.
Halsey M. Rhodes, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Margolia E. Hamilton, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1895—DENVER, COLO.

Nicholas J. O'Brien, Department Commander.	Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Department President.
W. Harry Conley, Asst. Adjutant General.	Lida E. Fitch, Laramie, Wyo., Department Secretary.
Halsey M. Rhodes, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Department Treasurer.

1896—DENVER, COLO.

Horace O. Dodge, Department Commander.	Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colo. Springs, Department President.
Alonzo Cohn, Asst. Adjutant General.	Marion Sutton, Colo. Springs, Department Secretary.
Geo. A. Hamilton, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Department Treasurer.

1897—COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

U. S. Hollister, Department Commander.	Fannie D. W. Hardin, Denver, Department President.
Marshall S. Crawford, Asst. Adjutant General.	Edna E. Hamilton, Denver, Department Secretary.
Wm. W. Roller, Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Clara Rapp, Denver, Department Treasurer.

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1898—CRIPPLE CREEK, COLO.

W. T. S. May,	Lucy M. Campbell, Denver,
Department Commander.	Department President.
Nathan T. Cox,	Hester W. Hartzell, Denver.
Asst. Adjutant General.	Department Secretary.
Nathan A. Baker,	Clara Rapp, Denver,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Department Treasurer.

1899—DENVER, COLO.

Andrew Royal,	Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek,
Department Commander.	Department President.
Dan W. Brown,	Stella A. Kyle, Cripple Creek,
Asst. Adjutant General.	Department Secretary.
Nathan A. Baker,	Clara Rapp, Denver,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Department Treasurer.

1900—DENVER, COLO.

Harper M. Orabood,	Minnie E. Kingsford, Rawlins,
Department Commander.	Department President.
Thos. J. Foote,	Anna D. Fishback, Rawlins,
Asst. Adjutant General.	Department Secretary.
Marshall S. Crawford	Clara Rapp, Denver,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Department Treasurer.

1901—PUEBLO, COLO.

Linus E. Sherman,	Arabella C. Johnson, Ft. Morgan,
Department Commander.	Department President.
D. W. Robbins,	Kate M. Clatworthy, Ft. Morgan,
Asst. Adjutant General.	Department Secretary.
M. S. Crawford,	Ida Critchell, Denver,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Department Treasurer.

1802—ROCKY FORD, COLO.

J. W. Huff,	Emily H. Jones, Greeley, Colo.
Department Commander.	Department President.
Wm. W. Furguson,	Anna B. Sanborn, Greeley,
Asst. Adjutant General.	Department Secretary.
M. S. Crawford,	Ida Critchell, Denver,
Asst. Quartermaster Gen'l.	Department Treasurer.

1903—CHEYENNE, WYO.

H. S. Vaughn,	Therese A. Jenkins, Cheyenne,
Department Commander.	Department President.
G. Hamilton,	Mary Hader,
Asst. Adjutant General.	Department Secretary.
W. W. Ferguson,	Ida Critchell,
Asst. Quartermaster General.	Department Treasurer.



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